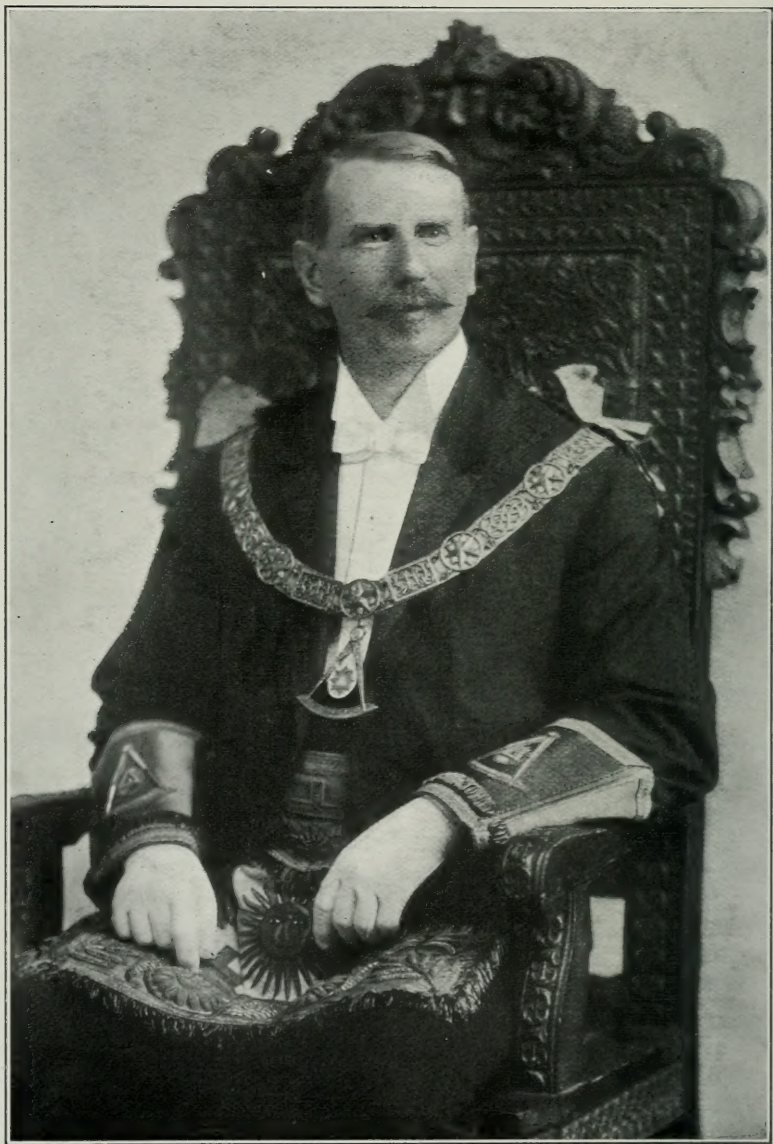


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M. W. BRO. WM. DAVID McPHERSON

Proceedings of the Grand Lodge
of
ANCIENT FREE and ACCEPTED MASONS
of Canada

IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

ESPECIAL COMMUNICATIONS

HELD AT

SAULT STE MARIE ON THE 24th AUGUST, 1912

OTTAWA ON THE 12th OCTOBER, 1912

UNIONVILLE ON THE 11th JUNE, 1913

NORTH AUGUSTA ON THE 10th JULY, 1913

ALSO

FIFTY-EIGHTH

Annual Communication

HELD AT THE CITY OF OTTAWA

16th and 17th July, A. D. 1913 A. L. 5913



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Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada

IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

PROCEEDINGS

At an Especial Communication of the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, held at the City of Sault Ste. Marie, on Saturday the 24th day of August, A.D. 1912, A.L. 5912.

Present

M.W.Bro. Aubrey White	Grand Master
R.W.Bro. W. H. Hearst	as Deputy Grand Master.
R.W.Bro. J. B. Way	as Grand Senior Warden.
R.W.Bro. J. D. H. Brown	as Grand Junior Warden.
W.Bro. T. E. Simpson	as Grand Chaplain
R.W.Bro. Lyman Lee	as Grand Treasurer.
W.Bro. C. E. McCrea	as Grand Secretary.
R.W.Bro. Moses McFadden	as Grand Senior Deacon.
W.Bro. W. J. Thompson	as Grand Junior Deacon.
W.Bro. C. V. Campbell	as Grand Dir. of Ceremonies.
W.Bro. P. T. Rowland	as Grand Sword Bearer.
W.Bro. E. M. Shaw	as Grand Pursuivant.
W.Bro. H. P. Broughton	as Grand Organist.
W.Bro. G. A. Montgomery	as Asst. Grand Organist.
W.Bro. C. A. Leaney	as Grand Standard Bearer.
W.Bro. J. McLurg	as Grand Standard Bearer.
W.Bro. B. M. Wylie	} as Grand Stewards.
W.Bro. W. R. McKibbin.	
W.Bro. J. C. Richardson	
W.Bro. A. W. Dunlop.....	
W.Bro. T. S. Durham.	
W.Bro. C. H. Reid.	}
W.Bro. A. G. McGregor	
	as Grand Tyler.

Grand Lodge was opened in ample form at 3.45 o'clock P.M., by the M. W. the Grand Master, who announced that this Especial Communication of Grand Lodge had been called to assist him in laying the corner stone of the Young Men's Christian Association Building.

The brethren acting as Grand Lodge officers having received the necessary directions, Grand Lodge was called off, a procession was formed under the Grand Director of Ceremonies and marched to the site in the prescribed order, taking up their proper positions at the northeast corner of the building.

The acting Grand Chaplain invoked a blessing, and the acting Grand Superintendent of Works read the following scroll and deposited it in the cavity in the stone:

In the Name and by the Favor of the Great Architect of the Universe

On the 24th day of August, A.D. 1912; A.L. 5912, in the third year of the reign of our Most Gracious Sovereign.

George U.

By the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the seas,
KING, Defender of the Faith, EMPEROR OF INDIA.

His Royal Highness, the DUKE OF CONNAUGHT & STRATH-
EARN, K.G., K.P., G.M.B., G.C.S.I., G.C.M.G., G.C.I.E.,
G.C.V.O., P.C., being GOVERNOR-GENERAL of the
Dominion of Canada.

His Honor, SIR JOHN MORISON GIBSON, K.C., LL.D.,
being LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR of the Province
of Ontario.

The Honorable ROBERT LAIRD BORDEN, LL.D., K.C., being
PREMIER of the Dominion of Canada.

The Honorable SIR JAMES PLINY WHITNEY, K.C., being
PREMIER of the Province of Ontario.

Mr. A. C. BOYCE, K.C., being member for the Constituency
of West Algoma in the Parliament of the Dominion
of Canada.

The HON. WM. H. HEARST, K.C., being Minister of Lands,
Forests & Mines, and member for the Constituency of
West Algoma in the Legislative Assembly of
the Province of Ontario.

MR. W. H. MUNRO being Mayor of the City of Sault Ste. Marie.
M.W. Bro. AUBREY WHITE being Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the
Province of Ontario.

ESPECIAL COMMUNICATION, SAULT STE. MARIE, 1912 5

R.W. BRO. WM. DAVID McPHERSON, K.C., being Deputy
Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of
Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

R.W. BRO. C. R. REID being District Deputy Grand Master
of the Nipissing District No. 18.

This Corner Stone

Of the Young Men's Christian Association Building, which was
erected in loving memory and to perpetuate the name
of Sir George Williams, founder of Y.M.C.A.
Work.

Was laid by M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, Grand Master, assisted
by the Grand Lodge Officers, in the presence of a large
concourse of brethren and citizens of the City
of Sault Ste. Marie and the surround-
ing district.

The acting Grand Treasurer deposited the phial
containing coins, newspapers and other records in the
cavity in the stone.

The acting Grand Wardens and the acting Deputy
Grand Master applied the instruments of their office
to the stone, after it had been placed in position, and
announced that the Craftsmen had done their duty.
The Grand Master then consecrated the stone with
corn, wine and oil and pronounced it well made, truly
laid, well proven, true and trusty.

The procession was reformed and the brethren
returned to the Lodge rooms where Grand Lodge was
closed.



R. L. Gunning
Grand Secretary.

Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada

IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

PROCEEDINGS

At an Especial Communication of the Grand Lodge of
A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ont-
ario, held at the City of Ottawa, on Saturday,
the 12th day of October, A.D. 1912, A.L. 5912.

Present

M.W.Bro. Aubrey White	Grand Master
R.W.Bro. S. S. Davidson	as Deputy Grand Master.
R.W.Bro. John Robertson	as Grand Senior Warden.
R.W.Bro. S. A. Luke	as Grand Junior Warden.
Wor. Bro. Rev. A. W. Mackay	as Grand Chaplain
R.W.Bro. E. B. Butterworth	as Grand Treasurer.
R.W.Bro. G. S. May	as Grand Registrar.
R.W.Bro. R. L. Gunn	as Grand Secretary.
Wor. Bro. T. E. Clendinnen	as Grand Senior Deacon.
Wor. Bro. F. E. Perney	as Grand Junior Deacon.
R.W.Bro. William Northwood	as Grand Supt. of Works.
R.W.Bro. W. M. Ross	as Grand Dir. of Ceremonies.
V.W.Bro. H. W. Wilson	as Assistant Grand Secretary.
R.W.Bro. J. C. Bartram	as Asst. G. Dir. of Ceremonies.
Wor. Bro. A. S. McElroy	as Grand Sword Bearer.
V.W.Bro. Arthur Dorey	as Grand Organist.
V.W.Bro. L. W. Coutlee	as Asst. Grand Organist.
Bro. John Carleton	as Grand Pursuivant.
Wor. Bro. George Parker	} as Grand Stewards.
Wor. Bro. J. H. Putman	
Wor. Bro. G. H. Findlay	
Wor. Bro. J. F. Argue	
Wor. Bro. F. G. Wait	
Wor. Bro. J. E. Craig	
Wor. Bro. C. W. Jeffrey	
Wor. Bro. J. W. Pask	
Wor. Bro. J. C. Hunter	
Wor. Bro. James Hill	
Wor. Bro. E. Geo. Shane	
Wor. Bro. J. D. Denny	
Wor. Bro. A. G. Greenfield	as Grand Standard Bearer.
Wor. Bro. R. M. Armstrong	as Grand Standard Bearer.
Wor. Bro. W. H. Sproule	as Grand Tyler.

Together with Masters, Past Masters and brethren hailing
from the various Lodges.

Grand Lodge was opened at 2.30 o'clock, in ample form, by M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, who announced that this Especial Communication of Grand Lodge had been called to assist him in laying the corner stone of the Ottawa Masonic Temple.

The brethren acting as Grand Lodge Officers having received the necessary instructions, Grand Lodge was called off and the brethren proceeded to the site in prescribed order, taking their proper positions at the northeast corner of the building.

The acting Grand Chaplain invoked a blessing and the acting Grand Superintendent of Works read the following scroll and deposited it in the cavity in the stone.

In the Name and by the Favor of the Great Architect of the Universe

On the 12th day of October, A.D., 1912, in the Third Year of
the reign of Our Most Gracious Sovereign.

George V.

By the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain
and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the seas,
KING, Defender of the Faith, EMPEROR OF INDIA.

His Royal Highness, the DUKE OF CONNAUGHT & STRATH-
EARN, K.G., K.T., K.P., G.M.B., G.C.S.I., G.C.M.G.,
G.C.I.E., G.C.V.O., P.C., being GOVERNOR-GENERAL
of the Dominion of Canada.

His Honor, SIR JOHN MORISON GIBSON, K.C., LL.D.,
being LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR of the Province
of Ontario.

The Honorable ROBERT LAIRD BORDEN, P.C., K.C., LL. D.,
being PREMIER of the Dominion of Canada.

The Honorable SIR JAMES PLINY WHITNEY, K.C., being
PREMIER of the Province of Ontario.

ALFRED E. FRIPP, Esquire and JOHN L. CHABOT, Esquire
being MEMBERS for the CONSTITUENCY OF OTTAWA,
In the PARLIAMENT OF THE DOMINION OF
CANADA.

NAPOLEON CHAMPAGNE, Esquire, and JAMES A. ELLIS,
Esquire, being MEMBERS for the CONSTITUENCY OF
OTTAWA, in the LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY of the
PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

M.W. Bro. AUBREY WHITE being Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

R. W. BRO. WM. DAVID McPHERSON, being Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

R. W. BRO. JOHN C. SCOTT, being DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER of the OTTAWA DISTRICT NO. 16.

This Corner Stone

Was laid by M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, Grand Master, assisted by the Grand Lodge Officers, and in the presence of a large concourse of brethren and citizens of the City of Ottawa, and the surrounding district.

The acting Grand Treasurer deposited the phial containing coins, newspapers and other records in the cavity of the stone.

The Acting Grand Wardens and the Acting Deputy Grand Master applied the instruments of their office to the stone, after it had been placed in position, and announced that the Craftsmen had done their duty. The Grand Master then consecrated the stone with corn, wine and oil and pronounced it well made, truly laid, well proven, true and trusty.

The procession was reformed and the brethren returned to the lodge room, where the Grand Lodge was closed.



R. L. Gunning
Grand Secretary.

Grand Lodge A.F. & A. M. of Canada

IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

PROCEEDINGS

At an Especial Communication of the Grand Lodge of
A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of On-
tario, held at the Village of Unionville, on Wed-
nesday the 11th day of June A.D. 1913, A.L. 5913.

Present

M.W.Bro. Aubrey White	Grand Master
R.W.Bro. G. A. M. Davison	as Deputy Grand Master.
M.W.Bro. E. T. Malone	Grand Treasurer.
R.W.Bro. F. W. Harcourt	as Grand Senior Warden.
R.W.Bro. Harry Scully	as Grand Junior Warden.
R.W. Bro. A. J. Brown	as Grand Secretary.
V.W.Bro. Kenneth Dunstan	as Grand Registrar.
R.W.Bro. Rev. W. L. Baynes-Reidas	Grand Chaplain
R.W.Bro. John Watson	as Grand Senior Deacon.
W.Bro. A. B. Crosby	as Grand Junior Deacon.
V.W.Bro. P. W. Rogers	Grand Dir. of Ceremonies.
V.W.Bro. J. A. Montgomery	Grand Supt. of Works
W.Bro. Robt. Canning	as Grand Sword Bearer.
V.W.Bro. A. E. Hagerman	as Grand Pursuivant.
W.Bro. J. R. Bulmer	} as Grand Stewards.
W.Bro. J. M. Owston	
W.Bro. W. B. Campbell,	
W.Bro. J. B. Sutherland	
W.Bro. A. M. Heron	
W.Bro. Albert Reesor	} as Grand Standard Bearers.
W.Bro. Frank Reesor	
W.Bro. Jas. Malcolm	
W.Bro. Geo. Scott	
W.Bro. W. M. Miskelly	
W.Bro. E. A. James	

Together with Masters, Past Masters and brethren hailing from
the various Lodges.

Grand Lodge was opened in due form at 4 o'clock
P.M. by M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, Grand Master,
who announced that this Especial Communication of
Grand Lodge had been called for the purpose of assist-

ing him to lay the corner stone of St. Philip's (Anglican) Church

The brethren acting as Grand Lodge Officers, have received the necessary directions. Grand Lodge was called off, a procession formed under the Grand Director of Ceremonies, and marched to the site in prescribed order, taking their proper positions at the north-east corner of the building.

The acting Grand Chaplain invoked a blessing and the Grand Superintendent of Works read the following scroll, which was deposited in the cavity in the stone.

In the Name and by the Favor of the Great Architect of the Universe

On the 11th day of June A.D. 1913, A.L. 5913, in the the fourth year of the reign of our Most Gracious Sovereign.

George V.

By the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the seas,
KING, Defender of the Faith, EMPEROR OF INDIA.

His Royal Highness, the DUKE OF CONNAUGHT & STRATH-
EARN, K.G., K.P., G.M.B., G.C.S.I., G.C.M.G., G.C.I.E.,
G.C.V.O., P.C., being GOVERNOR-GENERAL of
the Dominion of Canada.

His Honor, SIR JOHN MORISON GIBSON, K.C., LL.D.,
being LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR of the Province
of Ontario.

The Honorable SIR JAMES PLINY WHITNEY, K.C., being
PREMIER of the Province of Ontario.

THOMAS WALLACE, Esquire, being member for the Con-
stituency of York Centre in the Parliament of the Dominion
of Canada.

ALEXANDER McCOWAN, Esquire, being member for the Con-
stituency of York East in the Legislative Assembly of the
Province of Ontario.

M.W. Bro. AUBREY WHITE being Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the
Province of Ontario.

ESPECIAL COMMUNICATION, UNIONVILLE, 1913 11

R.W. BRO. WM. DAVID McPHERSON, K.C., being Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

R.W. BRO. G. A. M. DAVISON, being District Deputy Grand Master of the Toronto East District No. 11 A.

REV. G. I. B. JOHNSTON, being Rector of St. Philip's Church, Unionville.

This Corner Stone

Was laid by M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, Grand Master, assisted by the Grand Lodge Officers, and in the presence of a large concourse of brethren and inhabitants of the Village of Unionville and the surrounding district.

The Grand Treasurer deposited the phial containing coins, newspapers and other records in the cavity in the stone.

The acting Grand Wardens and the acting Deputy Grand Master applied the instruments of their office to the stone, after it had been placed in position and announced that the Craftsmen had done their duty. The Grand Master then consecrated the stone with corn, wine and oil and pronounced it well made, truly laid, well proven, true and trusty.

The procession was reformed and the brethren returned to the lodge rooms, where Grand Lodge was closed.



R. J. G. G. G.

Grand Secretary.

Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada

IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

PROCEEDINGS

At an Especial Communication of the Grand Lodge
of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of
Ontario, held at the Village of North Augusta on
Thursday, July 10th, A.D. 1913, A.L. 5913.

Present

R.W.Bro. Wm. Hyndman	as	Grand Master.
R.W.Bro. A. Langstaff	as	Deputy Grand Master.
R.W.Bro. W. H. Waddell	as	Grand Senior Warden.
R.W.Bro. R. W. Watchorn	as	Grand Junior Warden.
W.Bro. J. B. Love	as	Grand Treasurer.
W.Bro. G. R. Putnam	as	Grand Secretary.
R.W.Bro. G. B. Magee	as	Grand Registrar.
W.Bro. Rev. T. A. Smith	as	Grand Chaplain
W.Bro. H. Kidd	as	Grand Senior Deacon.
W.Bro. W. H. Love	as	Grand Junior Deacon.
R.W.Bro. E. A. McKim	as	Grand Dir. of Ceremonies.
W.Bro. E. D. Perrin	as	Grand Supt. of Works.
W.Bro. J. Checkley	as	Grand Sword Bearer.
W.Bro. John McCully	as	Grand Pursuivant.
V.W.Bro. W. R. Collier	} as	Grand Stewards.
W.Bro. A. Bustard		
W.Bro. H. G. McDougall		
W.Bro. H. Code		
W.Bro. Wm. Chapman	as	Grand Tyler.

Together with Masters, Past Masters and brethren hailing from various lodges.

Grand Lodge was opened in due form at 11 o'clock A.M., by R. W. Bro. Wm. Hyndman, acting on behalf of the M.W. the Grand Master, who announced that this Especial Communication of Grand Lodge had been called for the purpose of assisting him to lay the corner stone of the North Augusta Methodist Church.

The brethren acting as Grand Lodge Officers, having received the necessary directions, Grand Lodge was called off, a procession was formed under the acting Grand Director of Ceremonies, and marched to the site in prescribed order, taking their proper positions at the northeast corner of the building.

The acting Grand Chaplain invoked a blessing and the acting Grand Superintendent of Works read the following scroll, which was deposited in the cavity in the stone.

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of Ontario.

The Honorable ROBERT LAIRD BORDEN, LL.D., K.C., being
PREMIER of the Dominion of Canada.

The Honorable SIR JAMES PLINY WHITNEY, K.C., being
PREMIER of the Province of Ontario.

The Honorable J. D. REID, being member for the Constituency
of Grenville in Parliament of the Dominion of Canada.

GEORGE H. FERGUSON, Esquire, being member for the Con-
stituency of Grenville County in the Legislative Assembly
of the Province of Ontario.

M.W. Bro. AUBREY WHITE being Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the
Province of Ontario.

R.W. BRO. WM. DAVID McPHERSON, K.C., being Deputy
Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of
Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

R. W. BRO. WM. HYNDMAN, being District Deputy Grand Master of the St. Lawrence District No. 15.
REV. R. CALVERT, being Minister of the North Augusta Methodist Church.

This Corner Stone

Was laid by R. W. Bro. Wm. Hyndman, D.D.G.M., acting for M. W. the Grand Master, assisted by the Grand Lodge Officers, and in the presence of a large concourse of brethren and inhabitants of the Village of North Augusta and surrounding district.

The acting Grand Treasurer deposited the phial containing coins, newspapers and other records in the cavity in the stone.

The acting Grand Wardens and the acting Deputy Grand Master applied the instruments of their office to the stone, after it had been placed in position, and announced that the Craftsmen had done their duty. The acting Grand Master then consecrated the stone with corn, wine and oil and pronounced it well made, truly laid, well proven, true and trusty.

The procession was re-formed and the brethren returned to the Lodge room, where Grand Lodge was closed.



R. B. Gunning

Grand Secretary.

Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada

IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

PROCEEDINGS

At the Fifty-eighth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, held at the City of Ottawa, commencing Wednesday the 16th day of July A.D. 1913, A.L. 5913.

There were present:

THE GRAND MASTER

M. W. Bro. Aubrey White on the Throne.

THE DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

R. W. Bro. Wm. David McPherson.

R.W.Bro. W. N. Shaver	Grand Senior Warden.
R.W.Bro. Roger Miller	Grand Junior Warden.
M.W.Bro. E. T. Malone	Grand Treasurer.
R.W.Bro. R. L. Gunn	Grand Secretary.
R.W.Bro. James Dixon	Grand Registrar.
V.W.Bro. Wm. Anderson	Grand Senior Deacon.
R.W.Bro. John Pearson	as G. Dir. of Ceremonies.
R.W.Bro. J. B. Nixon.....	as Asst. G. Dir. of Ceremonies.
V.W.Bro. T. Pedler	as Asst. Grand Secretary.
V.W.Bro. A. R. Walker	Grand Sword Bearer.
V.W.Bro. F. P. Warne	as Grand Organist.
V.W.Bro. Duncan Brown	Asst. Grand Organist.
V.W.Bro. J. A. Montgomery	Grand Supt. of Works.
V.W.Bro. L. W. Coutlee	as Grand Pursuivant.
V.W.Bro. J. F. Reid	} Grand Stewards.
V.W.Bro. C. D. Taylor	
V.W.Bro. J. Lampman	
V.W.Bro. E. W. Moles	
V.W.Bro. H. C. Edgar	
V.W.Bro. W. J. Shannon	
V.W.Bro. J. A. Nixon	} Grand Stewards.
A. S. Morrison	
Bro. W. H. Sproule	Grand Tyler.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

R.W.Bro. W. A. Kelly	Erie District	No. 1
R.W.Bro. D. D. Brodie	St. Clair District	No. 2
R.W.Bro. P. C. Banghart	London District	No. 3
R.W.Bro. Rev. D. W. Collins	South Huron District	No. 4
R.W.Bro. Geo. Spotton	North Huron District	No. 5
R.W.Bro. Thos. Rafter	Wellington District	No. 7
R.W.Bro. W. H. Wardrope	Hamilton District	No. 8

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA

R.W.Bro. L. D. Cherry	Georgian District	No. 9A
R.W.Bro. James Waugh	Niagara District	No. 10
R.W.Bro. J. B. McLean	Toronto W. District	No. 11
R.W.Bro. G. A. M. Davison	Toronto E. District	No. 11A
R.W.Bro. N. L. Patterson	Ontario District	No. 12
R.W.Bro. O. C. Watson	Prince Edward Dis.	No. 13
R.W.Bro. A. R. B. Williamson	Frontenac District	No. 14
R.W.Bro. Wm. Hyndman	St. Lawrence District	No. 15
R.W.Bro. John C. Scott	Ottawa District	No. 16
R.W.Bro. F. B. Allen	Algoma District	No. 17
R.W.Bro. C. R. Reid	Nipissing District	No. 18
R.W.Bro. A. S. Porter	Muskoka District	No. 19
R.W.Bro. Wm. Garfat	Otonabee District	No. 20
R.W.Bro. R. T. Nicholson	Eastern District	No. 21

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES FROM GRAND LODGE OF

M.W.Bro. Benj. Allen	Ireland
R.W.Bro. A. J. Young	Alberta.
R.W.Bro. R. L. Gunn	British Columbia.
R.W.Bro. J. A. C. Anderson	New Brunswick.
R.W.Bro. D. D. Campbell	New South Wales.
M.W.Bro. J. H. Burritt	South Australia.
R.W.Bro. A. H. Webster	Tasmania.
R.W.Bro. W. D. McPherson	Victoria.
R.W.Bro. A. McGinnis	Colorado.
M.W.Bro. W. R. White	Georgia.
R.W.Bro. Abraham Shaw	Illinois.
M.W.Bro. D. F. Macwatt	Louisiana.
M.W.Bro. Aubrey White	Maryland.
R.W.Bro. C. W. Haentschel	Minnesota.
R.W.Bro. F. W. Harcourt	Nebraska.
M.W.Bro. A. T. Freed	New York.
R.W.Bro. John Hoodless	North Carolina.
R.W.Bro. J. G. Liddell	Oklahoma.
R.W.Bro. J. C. Bartram	South Carolina.
M.W.Bro. E. T. Malone	South Dakota.
R.W.Bro. Jas. McLachlan	Tennessee.
R.W.Bro. S. A. Luke	Vermont.
M.W.Bro. J. E. Harding	West Virginia.
R.W.Bro. Geo. Tait	Isle of Cuba.
R.W.Bro. W. J. Drope	Peru.
R.W.Bro. F. D. Diamond	Costa Rica.

The above named Grand Representatives were received and welcomed by the Grand Master and were accorded Grand Honors.

PAST GRAND OFFICERS.

Past Grand Masters—M. W. Bros. W. R. White, E. T. Malone, J. E. Harding, Benjamin Allen, J. H. Burritt, A. T. Freed and D. F. Macwatt.

Past District Deputy Grand Masters—R. W. Bros. John Hoodless, W. J. Drope, F. W. Harcourt, R. L. Gunn, S. A. Luke, A. Shaw, W. H. Walkey, James Ross, F. Guest, J. G. Liddell, J. B. Way, J. B. Nixon, John Jardine, J. A. Macfadden, C. W. Haentschel, A. J. Young, Alex.

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Past Grand Senior Deacons—V. W. Bros. R. F. Richardson, John Forgie.

Past Grand Junior Deacons—V. W. Bros. H. J. Charles, J. C. Kearns.

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Past Grand Sword Bearers—

Past Grand Standard Bearers—V. W. Bros. John Parsell.

Past Grand Pursuivants—

Past Grand Stewards—V. W. Bros. Thos. Pedler, D. M. Grant, Jos. Ellenton, H. F. Ketcheson, S. N. Morrison, J. R. Gorrell, J. R. Fraser.

The Grand Director of Ceremonies introduced a deputation from the Ottawa City Council, consisting of Mr. J. Wellington Nelson, Controller and Acting Mayor, who extended a very warm welcome to the members of Grand Lodge and expressed the hope that their visit to the city would prove a very pleasant

one and of benefit to the Masonic order. The M. W. the Grand Master replied, thanking the deputation for the kind remarks, and acknowledging the warmth of the hospitality of the citizens which had been extended to the members.

GRAND LODGE OPENED.

A constitutional number of lodges being represented, Grand Lodge was opened in ample form at 10.45 o'clock a.m., and the Grand Chaplain implored a blessing from the G.A.O.T.U. upon the proceedings.

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

R. W. Bro. J. B. Way, Chairman of the Committee on Credentials of representatives and proxies from lodges, reported that there were 429 warranted lodges on the register; 202 are represented by their regular officers, 80 by proxy and 21 by Past Masters, a total of 353 lodges represented. There were 737 names registered having a total of 1,328 votes. The following are the names of those present:

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R. W. Bro. J. DeW. Randall, P. M.
- No. 3** **Ancient St. John's, Kingston**
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R. W. Bro. A. R. B. Williamson, P. M.
- No. 5** **Sussex, Brockville**
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Bro. Victor de Carrol, J. W. W. Bros. A. S. Knapp &
W. W. Wood, P. Ms.
- No. 6** **The Barton, Hamilton**
M. W. Bro. A. T. Freed & R. W. Bro. John Hoodless, P. Ms.
- No. 7** **Union, Grimsby**
W. Bro. G. B. McConachie, W. M., R. W. Bro. W. J.
Drope, V. W. Bro. John Pearson, P. M.
- No. 9** **Union, Napanee**
W. Bro. Geo. T. Walters, P. M. & Proxy. V. W. Bro. W.
J. Shannon, P. M.
- No. 10** **Norfolk, Simcoe**
W. Bro. R. E. Gunton, P. M.
- No. 11** **Moirs, Belleville**
W. Bro. L. B. Cooper, W. M., R. W. Bros. Arthur Mc-
Ginnis, John Newton, V. W. Bro. H. F. Ketcheson, W.
Bros. John McIntosh & R. C. Blagrove, P. Ms.

- No. 14 True Britons, Perth**
W. Bro. F. A. Girdwood, W. M., Bro. F. Hutchinson,
S. W., Bro. Jas. V. Watson, J. W., R. W. Bro. W. T.
Hands, P. M.
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Bro. John Pearson, P. Ms.
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W. Bro. Spurgeon Troop, W. M.
- No. 18 Prince Edward, Picton**
W. Bro. Clarence Mallory, W. M.
- No. 20 St. John's, London**
Bro. Chas. Gilbert, S. W., R. W. Bro. Thos. Rowe, P. M.
- No. 21a St. John's, Vankleek Hill**
W. Bro. H. J. Howes, W. M., Bro. Jas. Westgate, S. W.,
R. W. Bro. H. C. Jones, V. W. Bro. S. N. Morrison, W.
Bros. E. H. Elvidge & D. J. Chalmers, P. Ms.
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Bro. W. H. Roberts, J. W., M. W. Bro. Aubrey White,
V. W. Bro. Wm. Anderson, W. Bros. Robt. Home, J.
McL. Hartley, John Tanner, S. Gollingworth, John Mc-
Kerracher & Wm. Stinson, P. Ms.
- No. 23 Richmond, Richmond Hill**
W. Bro. W. H. Legge, P. M. & Proxy.
- No. 24 St. Francis, Smith's Falls**
W. Bro. F. L. McCrumm, W. M., Bro. Geo. H. Saunders,
J. W., R. W. Bro. Wm. Hyndman, W. Bros. Ogle Carss,
W. B. Newton & S. E. Waffle, P. Ms.
- No. 25 Ionic, Toronto**
R. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, P. M. & Proxy. W. Bro.
S. T. Bastedo, P. M.
- No. 27 Strict Observance, Hamilton**
W. Bro. Wm. Field, W. M., R. W. Bros. R. L. Gunn &
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- No. 30 Composite, Whitby**
W. Bro. W. J. H. Richardson, P. M. & Proxy, W. Bro. A.
M. Ross, P. M.

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W. Bro. John T. Parkinson, W. M.
- No. 43** **King Solomon's, Woodstock**
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- No. 44** **St. Thomas, St. Thomas**
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tosh, G. A. M. Davison, W. Bros. W. R. Williamson, N. C.
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- No. 186** **Plantagenet, Plantagenet**
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- No. 193** **Scotland, Scotland**
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V. W. Bro. A. R. Walker, P. Ms.
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- No. 331** **Fordwich, Fordwich**
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R. W. Bro. C. W. Haentschel, P. M. & Proxy.
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- No. 417** Keewatin, Keewatin
R. W. Bro. T. J. Cherry, P. M. & Proxy.
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W. Bro. H. O. Pearce, W. M.
- No. 489 **Osiris, Smith's Falls**
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- No. 490 **Hiram, Markdale**
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- No. 493 **St. Marys, St. Marys**
W. Bro. P. T. Coupland, W. M.
- No. 494 **Riverdale, Toronto**
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- No. 495 **Electric, Hamilton**
W. Bro. A. W. Palmer, W. M.
- No. 496 **University, Toronto**
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- No. 500 **Rose, Windsor**
W. Bro. M. P. McMaster, P. M.
- No. 501 **Connaught, Mimico**
W. Bro. Geo. S. Brown, W. M.
- No. 502 **Coronation, Smithville**
W. Bro. A. G. Boulter, W. M., Bro. W. H. Trembley, S. W.
Bro. J. S. Davis, J. W.
- No. 503 **Inwood, Inwood**
W. Bro. Neil A. Campbell, P. M.
- No. 504 **Otter, Lombardy**
W. Bro. Clarke Nichols, W. M.
- No. 505 **Lynden, Lynden**
W. Bro. J. K. Jones, W. M.
- No. 506 **Porcupine, Porcupine**
W. Bro. T. W. Foster, W. M., Bro. C. M. Piercy, S. W.
- No. 507 **Elk Lake, Elk Lake**
Bro. Albert Skill, S. W.
- No. 509 **Twin City, Berlin**
Bro. S. A. Smithson, S. W.

The M. W. Grand Master granted permission for the admission to the side seats of Grand Lodge, of all Master Masons in good standing, as visitors.

R. W. Bro. John C. Scott D.D.G.M. of the Ottawa District, introduced the Worshipful Masters of the local lodges in Ottawa, who presented the following address of welcome to the Grand Master.

To The Most Worshipful Brother Aubrey White, Grand Master,
Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F & A. M.
of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN:

It gives us very much pleasure to welcome you, on behalf of the members of the Craft of this city, on the occasion of this the fifty-eighth Annual Communication of Grand Lodge.

We regret that owing to circumstances over which we have no control we are to-day without a Masonic House in which to receive you, but whilst it is unfortunate that such should be the case at the present moment, we are glad to say that the time is not far distant when our new Temple, the corner stone of which you Sir, so well and truly laid, will be completed. The completion of this Temple we think is good evidence of the unity and progressiveness of the craft in this city, and will give a further impetus to the order here, resulting in a greater growth than heretofore.

We trust that your deliberations may be carried on with pleasure to yourselves and good results to the Craft in general and from the success which has already marked the work of Grand Lodge during your occupancy as Grand Master we feel sure that this will be the case. We take advantage of this occasion Sir, to assure you of our allegiance to and confidence in Grand Lodge and also of the good will and harmony prevailing among the lodges in this city.

We extend through you Sir and Grand Lodge, Fraternal Greetings to the brethren throughout your jurisdiction and hope we may have the pleasure and honor of welcoming you again to our City in the near future.

H. C. Ellis, W. M., Dalhousie Lodge, No. 52.

J. W. Hurcomb, W. M., Doric Lodge, No. 58.

S. Short, W. M., Civil Service Lodge, No. 148.

D. Whitton, W. M., Builders Lodge, No. 177.

C. B. Patten, W. M., Fidelity Lodge No. 231

Thos. H. Hoare, W. M., Chaudiere Lodge, No. 264.

D. McIntosh, W. M., Prince of Wales Lodge, No. 371.

The M. W. the Grand Master was pleased to make the following reply:

Right Worshipful Bro. Scott and Ruling Masters of the Craft in Ottawa.

On behalf of myself and of the officers and members of

Grand Lodge, I extend to you our united thanks for the cordial fraternal welcome extended to us in your address and for the expressions of your loyalty to and confidence in Grand Lodge of which the Ottawa Lodges and brethren constitute an important constituency.

Grand Lodge learned with much regret of the loss which your lodges have sustained by fire in your former Masonic home, whereby all of the paraphernalia and furniture were destroyed. It is a matter of congratulation, however, that the new Masonic Temple is nearing its completion and that in the beautiful and substantial building which you will shortly occupy, you will find ample and commodious quarters suitable to the importance and dignity of the Craft in this City.

Your hope that Grand Lodge may, in the near future, re-visit Ottawa is warmly reciprocated, the members appreciate the beautiful scenery of the city and neighborhood and the warm hospitality of the resident members of the Craft and citizens generally.

My brethren, we accept with pleasure your fraternal greetings and trust that the Great Architect of the Universe will meet out to the Ottawa Craftsmen a full measure of his bountiful blessings.

The Grand Secretary read the rules and regulations for the government of Grand Lodge during the time of business.

The Grand Secretary commenced to read the minutes of Proceedings at the last Annual Communication, when it was

Moved by the R. W. the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by M. W. Bro. W. R. White, and

Resolved, That the minutes of the Proceedings of Grand Lodge at the Fifty-seventh Annual Communication, held in the City of Toronto, on the 17th and 18th days of July, A. D. 1912, having been printed and copies thereof forwarded to the constituent lodges, the same be considered as read and they be now confirmed.

Letters and telegrams of regret were read from M. W. Bros. Henry Robertson, J. Ross Robertson, J. M. Gibson and William Gibson, and R. W. Bros. G. S. May, R. H. Revell, A. C. Adams and Wm. Kannawin.

THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

Brethren of Grand Lodge:

We are assembled once again and for our fifty-eighth annual meeting. I bid you all a fraternal welcome and rejoice that there should be present such a full representation of the Craft to hear what has been

done during the past year and to take counsel for the future.

By the blessing of God we have, during the year just closed, enjoyed great prosperity in all ways, and harmony and loving kindness have universally prevailed within the borders of our jurisdiction.

Your Grand Master has everywhere been received with respect and courtesy, and there has been a ready obedience to his rulings and requests, which have made the discharge of his official duties a veritable labour of love.

Last year I took occasion to congratulate Grand Lodge upon its meeting being held in the metropolis of the Province of Ontario. I am now to congratulate Grand Lodge upon meeting in the metropolis of the Dominion of Canada,—the centre of our political system and national life, where our laws are made and whence the administration of our innumerable affairs is directed. I invite you to observe the appearance of growth and prosperity which prevails, the beauty of situation, the evidences of future possibilities,—all of which warrant us in believing that although Ottawa's selection as the capital of Canada caused a change of government, no mistake was made. Being the capital of one of the major stars in that constellation of nations called the British Empire is a great position, and we congratulate Ottawa upon the part it is destined to play in the future of our country. We rejoice, too, that this city lies within our own Masonic jurisdiction, because Masons who come from all over Canada to attend Parliament or transact business at the seat of Government are treated with great kindness and hospitality by our Ottawa brethren, and carry away with them a good opinion of the work and Masonic life prevailing under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge.

Here, too, is the residence of the representative of His Majesty, King George the Fifth,—that link of silk stronger than forged steel in binding us to the Mother Country. For the last two years the position of Governor General has been most acceptably filled by His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught, Grand Master of the Mother Grand Lodge of England, who, with his Gracious Consort, has been taken to their hearts

by the people of Canada. We learned with great anxiety of the illness of Her Royal Highness and our prayers have gone up to the Throne of Grace for her speedy recovery. We thank God for his kindness in preserving her life, and we rejoice to know that she is making satisfactory progress towards complete health, and we hope in the providence of God that they may shortly resume the active duties of their exalted station.

Last year I took occasion to record our sorrow and regret at the loss of life incident to the wreck of the "Titanic," which gave pause to the world. Again I am called upon to express our regret at the occurrence of a tragedy which, though it did not entail so great a loss of life, has yet called forth equally widespread sympathy. Need I say that I refer to the tragedy of the Antarctic seas, in which Captain Scott and his four companions met their death. The sorrow of those left behind will be somewhat alleviated by loving sympathy, wide as the Empire, and their future comfort will no doubt be generously provided for. While we mourn and sympathize with those afflicted our hearts throb with pride in our race whose sons can face death with fortitude when or wherever it comes, whether in the excitement and rush of battle or on the lonely ice floe in far Antarctic seas. Captain Scott was a Free and Accepted Mason, and he well exemplified the teaching of the sublime degree when he laid down his life and did not for one second betray the trust reposed in him. Of Captain Oates, who calmly walked out to his death that he might increase, in some slight degree, the chances of safety for his comrades, I am unable to put into words the emotion his action calls forth. Let us rise in respect to his memory.

We rejoiced a short time ago to learn that the sword had been sheathed in the Balkans and the horrors of war ended. Our hopes for a total cessation of hostilities were doomed to be disappointed owing to the serious differences between the Allied States. Great advances in human liberty have always to be paid for by the loss of human life when brought about by the arbitrament of the sword. Let us pray that peace and liberty, which have been strangers in that region, may soon be restored and may, for the future, abide with these peoples.

During the last year our Sister Grand Lodge of Ireland suffered a great loss in the death of its Grand Master, the Duke of Abercorn, who was universally beloved and who was intensely democratic in his public life. He was a Lord Lieutenant of Ireland and high in the Councils of the State, and yet after he retired from his exalted position, he, year after year, presented himself for election to the County Council of his native County, and sat as its chairman. He has thereby set a good Masonic example of one of the highest in the land performing the simplest duties in the services of the people. His successor has been elected in the person of the Earl of Donoughmore, who, we believe, will prove to be a wise Grand Master.

Since our last meeting, Senator John V. Ellis, Past Grand Master of New Brunswick, has been called home and we have lost the earthly presence of a courteous gentleman, one who was without fear or reproach, and always did what he believed to be right, without regard to the consequences. He was an enthusiastic Knight Templar, Past Sovereign Grand Commander of the Scottish Rite and Provincial Grand Master of the Royal Order of Scotland. Masonry and the public life of Canada are poorer by his death.

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND

Many of you will remember that at our meeting in Brockville in 1904 it was determined to mark, in some impressive manner, the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of the establishment of this Grand Lodge, and that after full discussion it was concluded that the best way to do so would be to increase our benevolence, and that by unanimous resolution Grand Lodge gave its official approval and sanction to the raising, by voluntary subscription from the members of the Craft, of the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars, which sum was to be called "The Semi-Centennial Fund" to be permanently invested, and the interest used for the purpose of supplementing in grave cases the benevolence of Grand Lodge. There was some misapprehension with respect to the objects of this fund, and much misgiving as to our ability to raise the money. It took some time to clear the air and get the brethren seized of the aims and objects we had in view. This will account for the considerable time it has taken

to complete the amount desired; but, thanks to Almighty God, we have raised considerably over the hundred thousand dollars we had set our hearts on, and henceforth we shall have for all time a steady income of about \$5,000 per annum to add to the aid given to those in distress or sickness by this Grand Lodge.

Our beloved Past Grand Master Harding, Chairman of the Committee on Benevolence, laid the foundation stone of this fund, and I much rejoice that the goal should be reached and that I should have the honour of putting on the copestone of completion during my term as Grand Master. I congratulate the whole Craft on the manner in which we have marked fifty years of our history. Verily I believe God will abundantly bless all such efforts to succor those in sorrow and distress.

WARRANTS

In compliance with the resolution of Grand Lodge at its last Annual Communication, warrants have been granted as follows:

Port Arthur Lodge No. 499, Port Arthur.

Rose Lodge No. 500, Windsor

Connaught Lodge No. 501, Mimico.

Coronation Lodge No. 502, Smithville.

The reports which have reached me concerning these lodges justify the conclusion that they are doing good work and are active schools for the promulgation of Masonic principles.

NEW LODGES

I am strongly of opinion, where application is made for the formation of a new lodge by brethren of known standing and reputation, with the consent of the nearby lodges and supported by the recommendation of the District Deputy Grand Master, that a prima facie case is made for the granting of a dispensation, unless it is established by indutitable evidence that there is no chance of the lodge succeeding. Acting on my belief, I, last year, granted dispensations for eight new lodges, all of which are reported to be doing good work. This year, moved by the same opinion, I have granted dispensations for eleven new lodges. You will thus see that the light of Masonic love has been lighted upon nineteen altars of Masonry in this Grand

jurisdiction during my regime as Grand Master. I am sure you will approve my action, because the result establishes in the strongest possible way the increased hold Free Masonry is taking upon the young men of the province of Ontario. Let us not imagine that lodges should be permitted only in large centres, such as towns and cities with wealthy surroundings. It is true that large lodges are a power and strength, but let us also remember that in large lodges the members have not that closeness of touch which is so desirable and which is found in small lodges where each is known to each, and a common spirit of brotherhood and bond of sympathy exists. Let us also remember that when we get brothers banded together for Masonic purposes, if they are of the right character and practice Masonic principles, they will soon draw good men into the charmed circle of the Craft. Considering the number of lodges on our rolls and how few have failed to live, we may well congratulate ourselves and take courage to be generous rather than parsimonious in spreading the privileges of Masonic association. .

Dispensations granted have been continued to the following Lodges, viz:

Inwood Lodge, Inwood.

Otter Lodge, Lombardy.

Lynden Lodge, Lynden.

Porcupine Lodge, Porcupine.

Dispensations have also been granted to the following new lodges:

Elk Lake Lodge, Elk Lake. Instituted Jan. 14, 1913.

Ozias Lodge, Brantford. Instituted Dec. 11, 1912.

Twin City Lodge, Berlin. Instituted March 28, 1913.

Connaught Lodge, West Fort William. Instituted May 19, 1913.

Parkdale Lodge, Toronto. Instituted May 9, 1913.

Corinthian Lodge, Hamilton. Instituted April 25, 1913.

Malone Lodge, Sutton West. Instituted May 21, 1913.

St. Albans Lodge, Toronto. Instituted June 16, 1913.

Reba Lodge, Brantford. Instituted July 10, 1913.

Enterprise Lodge, Beachburg. Not yet instituted.

Hazeldean Lodge, Hazeldean. Not yet instituted.

I understand that some of these lodges will ask to have warrants granted at this meeting of Grand Lodge. The Committee on Warrants will no doubt give each application full and careful consideration. The precedent has already been made of giving a warrant to a lodge in its first year under dispensation. If the officers are well known and skilled Masons of established reputation, perhaps there is no objection to a warrant being granted, but to make it a rule that warrants shall issue at the next meeting of Grand Lodge after a dispensation is granted would, I think, be fraught with danger to the Craft.

LODGES CONSTITUTED AND CONSECRATED

The following Lodges have been constituted and consecrated during the year:

Port Arthur Lodge No. 499, Port Arthur. September 30, 1912.

Rose Lodge No. 500, Windsor. September 24, 1912.

Connaught Lodge No. 501, Mimico. October 10, 1912.

Coronation Lodge No. 502, Smithville. October 21, 1912.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

The changes in these ambassadors of the Craft have been very few. They are very useful when difficulties arise between Grand jurisdictions or when some common object moves the Masonic world, or when information is required.

On the nomination of the Grand Master of Rhode Island I have appointed Wor. Bro. Clarence P. Bearse, of East Providence, Rhode Island, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada near the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island. On the recommendation of the Grand Master of Puerto Rico I have appointed Wor. Bro. H. Glyde Gregory, San Juan, Puerto Rico, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada near the Grand Lodge of Puerto Rico. I have nominated Rt. Wor. Bro. George C. Holden, of Hamilton, representative of the Grand Lodge of Puerto Rico near the Grand Lodge of Canada, and the Grand Master of Puerto Rico has been pleased to appoint him to that position.

The representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada near the Grand Lodge of New York, R. W. Bro. J. Hungerford Smith, having resigned, the Grand Master of

New York nominated R. Wor. Bro. George W. Millar to fill the vacancy, and I have appointed him as our representative.

DEDICATIONS

The work of dedicating lodges has been carried on during the year by myself and my representatives in the districts. Ten lodge rooms were dedicated. Of these I personally dedicated the following:

The new Masonic Temple, London. April 16, 1913.

The new Masonic Hall, Brampton. April 22, 1913.

The new Riverdale Hall, Toronto. March 14, 1913.

The new Masonic Hall, Gananoque, January 28, 1913.

The new hall in London is a fine structure, well appointed for the convenience of a number of bodies meeting in it. The other halls are well equipped and appointed. The lodge room in the town of Gananoque is one of the best rooms to be found outside of large cities.

CORNER STONES

The following corner stones have been laid with Masonic ceremonies:

The Young Men's Christian Association Building, Sault Ste. Marie, by the Grand Master, on the 24th of August, 1912.

Masonic Temple, Ottawa, by the Grand Master, on the 12th of October, 1912.

St. Philip's Anglican Church, Unionville, by the Grand Master, on the 11th of June, 1913.

North Augusta Methodist Church, by R. W. Bro. W. Hyndman, D.D.G.M., on the 10th July, 1913.

The corner stone of the Y. M. C. A. building at Sault Ste. Marie was laid in the presence of a large concourse of people. In this ceremony I was assisted by R. W. Bro. W. H. Hearst, Minister of Lands, Forests & Mines,—the Member for the constituency. One takes an added interest in this great institution when one sees the good work universally done, and remembers that the first work of the Y. M. C. A. on the continent of America was begun in the Dominion of Canada. The Masonic Temple in the City of Ottawa promises to be a fine building, in keeping with the energies and aspirations of our Ottawa brethren. The corner stone of St. Philip's Anglican Church, Unionville, near

Toronto, was laid on a lovely June day, in one of the most fertile regions of the province of Ontario. There was a large attendance of the congregation with their clergy and also a number of Toronto brethren who came out specially to assist in the work of Grand Lodge. I regretted very much that the date selected for the laying of the corner stone of the North Augusta Methodist Church was too near the meeting of Grand Lodge to permit me to take part. I therefore deputed R. W. Bro. W. Hyndman, D.D.G.M. to perform the ceremony.

Once more I congratulate the Craft on the frequency with which we are asked to take part in such ceremonies, as such invitations are evidences of the reputation and standing of this Grand Lodge.

LODGE BY-LAWS

I have had twenty-four sets of new By-Laws submitted for my approval and confirmation. After carefully considering the provisions of these By-Laws I have confirmed and approved them. The particulars will be found in the Grand Secretary's report. I have had amendments to the By-Laws of fifty-eight lodges submitted for my consideration and approval. In each of these cases I have had the By-Laws of the lodges submitted so as to see the effect of the amendments, and also how far the By-Laws themselves were in line with the Constitution. In a great number of cases I found in the By-Laws provisions which have been rendered inoperative by changes in the Constitution. I called attention to this state of affairs last year and suggested action. Nothing has been done. I now submit for your approval the sending by the Grand Secretary of a circular to the Master of each lodge, requesting him to appoint a committee of one or more to examine and compare the By-laws with the Constitution, with a view to having them agree. I have confirmed all the amendments submitted for my consideration.

DISPENSATIONS

I have granted 204 dispensations for different constitutional purposes. Of these 34 were issued to authorize attendance at Divine Service and 70 for at-homes and other social functions. In addition there was

a number issued for conferring of degrees and other purposes. I congratulate Grand Lodge upon the fact that the religious and social life of the Craft is strong, as shown by the attendance of the brethren at church and in social intercourse

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION

By long experience and continued interest in all that makes for strength and reputation of the Craft, I feel warranted in the conclusion that accurate work, social intercourse and assembling in large numbers are among the strongest factors which give us character and standing in the community. I know of no way in which the strength of the Craft may be better shown than by the holding of Lodges of Instruction. Therefore, in season and out of season I have urged the holding of one in every district. By argument in my addresses, by pressing it upon my representatives in the various districts, and by continually urging it as opportunity occurred, I endeavored to accomplish my purpose. During the last year nine lodges were held. They were well attended and of great benefit to the districts. I personally attended those held in the two Toronto Districts, the Hamilton District, the Ontario District, and at Brockville in the St. Lawrence District. I was delighted at the good work done, the large numbers present, and the pleasant social intercourse that prevailed. The Lodge of Instruction held at Brockville, although somewhat difficult to bring about, was one of the best I ever attended. Not so many years ago careless and inaccurate work was quite common. Now it is a rare exception to find work that is not up to the standard, and this has been brought about by the holding of Lodges of Instruction. Let the good work be continued and extended to every district. You will notice it is now proposed to hold the election of District Deputy Grand Masters at Lodges of Instruction held in each district, and you will be asked to pronounce upon the question. I would like if Grand Lodge would lay down the rule that a Lodge of Instruction must be held in every district. Further than that I do not go.

FINANCES

You will see by perusal of the reports of the Grand

Secretary and Grand Treasurer that our finances are very satisfactory. Last year I pointed out that our revenue was \$43,175.38, while our expenditure was \$45,993.15, being \$2,817.17 in excess of our revenue for the year. This year I am glad to say the position is changed. The revenue shows an increase of \$1,521.21 over that of last year, and exceeds our expenditure by \$625.06. So that our present position is about \$3,000 better than that of last year. The expenditure for benevolence during the year was \$29,108. The expenditure for general purposes, salaries, etc., was \$14,963.53. The invested funds of Grand Lodge on general account are \$108,190.69 in various securities. There is cash in the bank \$2,282, making our total money assets to be \$110,472.69. This is independent of the Semi-Centennial Benevolent fund.

I again take occasion to express my appreciation of the services of the Grand Treasurer, who so carefully guards the investment of our funds. I also place on record my appreciation of the services of the Grand Secretary and his excellent staff of officers. The Grand Secretary is a painstaking officer, and has acquired a fund of information upon precedents, rulings and other matters, which makes him of great service to a Grand Master, in addition to which he is a sane advisor.

BENEVOLENCE.

You will see by a perusal of the Grand Treasurer's and Grand Secretary's reports that the total expenditure for benevolence up to the end of the year was \$33,835, or about \$1,000 in excess of last year. This expenditure is the largest ever made by this Grand Lodge for benevolent purposes. Of this \$29,108 came from Grand Lodge funds proper, and \$4,727, from the Semi-Centennial Fund. Great care is taken to ascertain that the recipients of our benevolence are all worthy, and from the report of the Inspector who looks after such matters I am glad to inform you that he finds them all deserving cases and no attempts made to impose upon our charity. Our expenditure this year for benevolence has been, as I have already stated, \$1,000 more than last year, and it will continue to grow. We have made a great step forward by accumulating a special fund of \$100,000, but if this does

not suffice to meet our responsibility the resources of Masonic benevolence are not exhausted, and we can once more appeal to the Craft to give us sufficient money to perform our bounden duty. It should also be borne in mind that the private lodges have granted about \$18,000 per annum for benevolent purposes, so that the full measure of our benevolence during the year will be nearly \$52,000. The Chairman of Benevolence is a generous, large-hearted man and no worthy applicant is denied assistance.

CONDITION OF THE CRAFT

The net numerical growth for the past year is approximately 2,500, which is eminently satisfactory, and the character of the material coming in is said to be of the best kind. I have, by every means possible, inculcated caution in the admission of candidates. Everywhere I have spoken I have accented the duty of lodges in this matter. I have begged of my representatives to do the same, and asked for their views as to the character of the membership in the lodges they visited. From my own observations and reports received I am encouraged to believe that more and more the value of character is being considered when candidates present themselves for admission. Character is one of the great aims of moral teaching, and the principles of Free Masonry, if properly exemplified, must tend to create a sound moral character. Some lodges, taking advantage of the prosperity that prevails and to prevent too large a membership, are advancing their initiation fee, putting it in some cases as high as \$100. Your Grand Master thinks a large initiation fee does not always ensure a good character. It has, however, the advantage of increasing the revenue of the lodges and of enabling them to set apart a certain percentage for benevolent purposes, and thus to meet the cases presented to them in a generous manner. Each lodge, however, must be the judge of its own field and fix what is a reasonable fee to charge those seeking admission, whose character is good but who are not very well off in this world's goods. What the large city lodges may do cannot be taken as an example for the small lodges in the country. In every lodge the asset upon which the candidate shall be accepted or rejected must be his character.

RULINGS .

I have been asked for a number of rulings and, as was the case last year, many of them were really explanations of the Constitution. Where any doubt has arisen in my mind I have taken the opinion of my predecessors, which has always been cheerfully given me. I have followed the Constitution in all my rulings, and have not hesitated to make research and enquiry to see whether previous Grand Masters had dealt with the question upon which I was asked to rule. If I found that they had I felt bound to follow their rulings, as I found them all eminently practical.

1. I have had several applications for dispensations to initiate gentlemen who had some physical imperfections. In all these cases I followed the Constitution and ruled against the application where the candidate could not literally comply with all the ceremonies of the work of Grand Lodge. I need not particularize the several applications.

2. I was asked, "Can a lodge initiate without a fee a serving brother?" I ruled that a lodge cannot, without fee, initiate a serving brother.

3. Bro. Welch of Arcadia Lodge No. 440, Minden, having refused to obey my instructions in a certain matter, I suspended him from all Masonic privileges until this meeting of Grand Lodge.

4. An application was made by Francis T. Woolverton, a resident of New York, to be initiated in Union Lodge No. 7, Grimsby. His great-great-grandfather had been Master of that lodge in 1800. Sympathizing very much with the desire of this gentleman I said if he obtained the consent of the Grand Master of New York I would issue a dispensation. He obtained the consent and I ruled that he might be initiated.

5. Application was made to me to approve of a Club to be called "The Masonic Travel Club." I could not see my way to approve of a club which would travel beyond our jurisdiction, as I could not be responsible for them when out of my control.

6. I was asked to rule whether it was necessary to issue a summons for a regular meeting of a lodge

when there is no ballot to be passed. I ruled that a Secretary must issue a circular so as to give seven clear days' notice of the holding of the regular meeting and the business to be done thereat.

7. I was asked if I would give a dispensation to open what was called a "Street Railway Lodge" in Toronto, which I declined to do.

8. Application was made by a Miss Morgan of Williston, N. D. asking me to re-instate her father and put him in good standing, although he had been dead for some years. For obvious reasons it was impossible for me to do this.

9. I was asked to rule that a Master elect must be able to work the three degrees before installation. I declined so to rule.

10. I was asked if a lodge could continue its order of business until completed, even if it should extend beyond 12 o'clock midnight. I ruled that when a lodge commences business, according to the notice on the circular, it can continue until it finishes the business, whatever it may be, even though it extends beyond 12 o'clock p.m.

11. I was asked to rule on the taking of the ballot. It appeared that a Master had not directed the Junior Warden to notify the members in the ante-room to enter. I ruled that the method of taking the ballot was irregular. The Constitution requires that the brethren be called in.

12. I was asked if a Worshipful Master had authority to demand of any brother his reasons for disapproving of any candidate or of voting against him. I ruled he could not do this, and that he should not permit any discussion upon the merits of the candidate.

13. Application was made for a dispensation to wear Craft regalia at a Royal Arch Mason's function. I declined to grant the dispensation, it being against the Constitution to do so.

14. I was asked if a commercial traveller who belonged to a certain town but had been absent from it for 8 years travelling in the United States could be initiated in his home town. I ruled that he could not.

15. I have been several times asked for permission to use lodge rooms for dancing, but I invariably declined to reverse the ruling of M. W. Bro. Macwatt, which prohibits it.

16. I ruled that it was un-constitutional for a Master to be obliged to appoint his officers on the recommendation of the Board of General Purposes of his Lodge.

17. At the installation of a Worshipful Master a brother asked that a ballot be taken to confirm the choice. The installing Master refused to take a ballot, but took a vote in the usual Masonic manner and proceeded with the installation. The question was, "Was the brother not entitled to have a vote by show of hands as to whether a ballot should be taken to confirm the choice." As a majority approved the choice, I ruled that the installing Master was right, and that a vote by ballot confirming the Master's election was not necessary.

18. Two different applications came up to me in reference to the initiation, passing and raising of candidates at Lodges of Instruction. I ruled that a candidate could not be initiated at a Lodge of Instruction. A Lodge of Instruction has no inherent powers to initiate or confer degrees. I do not enter upon any further explanations because in looking into the matter I found that M. W. Bro. John Ross Robertson had so ruled and that Grand Lodge had adopted and approved his ruling.

A lodge submitted an amendment to its By-Laws by which a member who was non-resident might retain his membership forever on payment of \$20, as long as he was non-resident and affiliated with another lodge. I could not see my way to approve this amendment, as it might lead to all kinds of difficulties.

20. A candidate for initiation reached that part of the ceremony where he was taken to the Wardens to show that he was in possession of the secrets of the degree. He was then taken ill and could not proceed. I ruled that having been obligated and in possession of the secrets, he was initiated and entitled to receive his second degree.

21. A brother of Copestone Lodge was charged with un-Masonic conduct of a flagrant kind. He could not be found to summon him, and, as he had been installed in the Master's chair, I suspended him until this meeting of Grand Lodge, so that he should not attain any further Masonic rank. I issued a commission to investigate the charges. The Commissioner found him guilty and recommends his expulsion.

CARD INDEX SYSTEM

Grand Lodge, at its last annual meeting, approved of the establishment of a system of card index in the Grand Secretary's office. No action has yet been taken upon that matter, as it was desired to make a full and careful enquiry into the work of the card index system in other Grand jurisdictions before finally undertaking it here. I would respectfully recommend that the appropriation made last year for this purpose be continued, and that the Board of General Purposes take the matter up and arrange for some proper system to be put in force at the earliest possible moment.

VISITATIONS

I have almost reached the end of my address and in a very short period of time shall have fulfilled my term of office as your Grand Master, and will surrender my trust, leaving the Craft, I hope, if not better, at any rate as happy, prosperous and harmonious as I found it. My task has been made easy by the splendid staff of District Deputy Grand Masters who have served under me. Those officers are the eyes and ears of the Grand Master in their districts. In this respect they have not failed me. They have upheld the character and reputation of the Craft. They were equally loyal, equally considerate and equally energetic with their predecessors of last year. No Grand Master ever was more loyally served than the present, and from the bottom of my heart I thank all the District Deputy Grand Masters who have served under me.

I have this year continued the course I pursued last, of visiting all large centres where my presence was desired. I also attended a number of Lodges of Instruction, and such other lodges as made special requests for my presence. In all, I have attended during my two years of service fifteen Lodges of Instruc-

tion and have paid 100 visits to lodges as Grand Master. Everywhere I have been impressed with the prosperity and growth of the Order,—not only in mere numbers but in all good works and moral character. I have been with my brethren at work, at the worship of God, at their social functions, and in the hour of sorrow when laying away their dead. In all places, under all circumstances, their affectionate loyalty to their Grand Master was inspiring, being an evidence of the respect they have for whoever presides over them for the time being.

Had it been possible for one of my nationality to be killed by excessive kindness, I fear I should not be with you to-day.

My brethren, let me remind you that we belong to a great jurisdiction in this young and prosperous country. Of the 90,000 Masons in the Dominion of Canada about 54,000 are of our jurisdiction and obedience, and in addition we have given of the best of our sons to build up the Craft in the great provinces of the west. We have done great work in benevolence, and we shall yet do more wonderful things if we are true to our convictions.

My brethren let me close by saying that I have done what in me lay to inculcate the worship of God, the love of country, and the practice of benevolence, believing that these are the great factors of Masonic excellence, and that the practice of them will best round out a Masonic character. May our Father in Heaven bless and keep you and pour upon you the choicest blessings which lie at his right hand.

AUBREY WHITE,

Grand Master.

Toronto, Ont., 16th July, 1913.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, Deputy Grand Master, seconded by M. W. Bro. J. E. Harding, and

Resolved, That the address of the M. W. the Grand Master be referred to a special committee to report thereon.

The M. W. the Grand Master named as such committee M. W. Bros. A. T. Freed, W. R. White, B. Allen, J. E. Harding and E. T. Malone.

The Grand Secretary presented the Grand Treasurer's and Grand Secretary's Reports, as follows:

GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

I herewith submit a Statement of the Receipts and Disbursements and Investment account of the Grand Lodge for the year ended May 31st, 1913.

GENERAL ACCOUNT

To balance at credit of the account in the Canadian Bank of Commerce on 31st, May, 1912	\$ 1,353 00
Less outstanding cheques	760 06
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	\$ 592 94

REVENUE

Receipts from Grand Secretary:	
From lodges	\$ 39,566 45
Interest on Bank balance	162 54
Interest on Investments	4,967 60
Debentures Matured and paid:	
Brockville	\$ 193 55
Brockville	198 65
Berlin	671 80
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	\$ 1,064 00
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	\$ 45,760 59
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	\$ 46,353 53

DISBURSEMENTS

General charges	\$ 14,963 53
Benevolent orders	29,108 00
Cash in Bank, 31st May, 1913 \$	2,548 66
Less outstanding cheques	266 66
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	\$ 2,282 00
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	\$ 46,353 53

All of which is fraternally submitted.

E. T. MALONE,
Grand Treasurer.

Audited and found correct.

HARRY VIGEON,
Chartered Accountant.

June 19th, 1913.

1912 DETAILS OF DISBURSEMENTS

June 10—Hurley Printing Company account	\$	91 95
Eastern Canadian Passenger Association....		5 00
J. E. Harding, postage		11 25
J. A. McFadden, postage		3 75
20—Toronto General Trusts Corporation, rent of vault to April 1913		28 60
26—Grand Secretary, salary to 30th June 1912		750 00
Grand Treasurer, salary to 30th June, 1912		50 00
Auditor's salary to 30th June, 1912		75 00
Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's office to June 30th, 1912		66 67
Assistant in Grand Secretary's Office to 30th June, 1912		83 33
Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to June 30th		50 00
Stenographher's salary to 30th June		60 00
July 13—Grand Secretary, account incidental ex- penses		200 00
Cook, Pearce Printing Company account to 30th May, 1912		6 80
Hurley Printing Company account to 19th June		66 10
Robert Duncan Company account to 1st June		5 75
16—Account Grand Lodge expenses, Annual Communication		1,000 00
23—J. B. Nixon account Benevolent Investi- gation		250 00
A. T. Freed, Foreign Correspondence		250 00
26—Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's office, to July 31st		66 67
Assistant in Grand Secretary's Office to 31st July		83 33
Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 31st July		55 00
Stenographer's salary to 31st July		60 00
Bell Telephone Company account to 30th September		14 25
Aug. 5—Grand Master on account allowance		500 00
7—Hurley Printing Company account to 1st August		326 60
Cook, Pearce Company account, printing ...		11 25
17—Hamilton Masonic Hall Association, rent to 1st July		115 00
Grand Secretary's expenses to London re Corner Stone Masonic Temple		9 55
Deputy Grand Master postage		10 00
G. S. May, expenses, postage		5 00
Grand Secretary, account Grand Lodge ex- penses		126 95
Insurance on Grand Lodge furniture and books		24 20
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Aug. 17—Insurance on Grand Lodge furniture and books	24 20
Cook, Pearce and Company account printing	20 25
R. B. Unsworth account, warrants	10 00
24—Robert Duncan & Company account to 1st August	21 35
Grand Secretary, balance expenses Grand Lodge	114 00
29—Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's office to 31st August	66 66
Assistant in Grand Secretary's office to 31st Aug.....	83 33
Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 31st August	55 00
Stenographer's salary to 31st August	60 00
30—J. B. Nixon on account benevolent investigation	250 00
Sept. 16—Hurley Printing Company on account proceedings	200 00
26—Grand Treasurer, salary to 30th Sept.	50 00
Grand Secretary's salary to 30th Sept.	750 00
Auditor's salary to 30th September	75 00
Hamilton Masonic Hall Association, rent to 30th September	115 00
Grand Secretary, account incidental expenses	200 00
Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office to 30th September	66 67
Assistant in Grand Secretary's office salary to 30th September	83 33
Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office salary to 30th September	55 00
Stenographer's salary to 30th September	60 00
Ambrose Kent & Son's account for repairing Grand Master's regalia	2 50
Masonic Relief Association of United States per Cap tax to 30th September	253 60
Oct. 1—Robert Duncan & Company account to 3rd September	13 00
Copp, Clark Company account to 1st September	345 10
9—J. B. Nixon account benevolent investigation	250 00
16—Grand Secretary's expenses laying corner stone, Ottawa	22 65
26—Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's office to 31st October	66 67
Assistant in Grand Secretary's Office salary to 31st October	83 33
Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office salary to 31st October	55 00
Stenographer's salary to 31st October	60 00
Nov. 21—Stenographer's salary in Grand Master's Office	50 00

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Nov. 21—Grand Secretary, incidental expense	200 00
Cook, Pearce Printing Company account to 1st November	10 00
Robert Duncan Company account to 19th November	11 50
James Macklin & Son, Sarnia, Floral design Bell Telephone Company account to 31st December	25 00
Hamilton Paper Bag Company account to 31st October	16 25
Premium on Grand Secretary's bond	19 00
E. A. McKim re Lombardy Lodge	12 50
26—Grand Secretary, Postage on proceedings ...	5 00
Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office to 30th November	207 00
Assistant in Grand Secretary's Office to 30th November	66 66
Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office salary to 30th November	83 34
Stenographer's salary to 30th November ...	55 00
Dec. 4—J. B. Nixon account Benevolent Investiga- tion	60 00
6—Grand Master, account expenses	250 00
18—Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office to 31st December	200 00
Assistant in Grand Secretary's Office salary to 31st December	66 67
Clerk in Grand Secretary's office salary to 31st December	83 33
Stenographer's salary to 31st December ...	55 00
Grand Secretary's salary to 31st December	60 00
Grand Treasurer's salary to 31st December	750 00
Auditor's salary to 31st December	50 00
	75 00

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Jan. 9—Hamilton Masonic Hall Association rent ...	115 00
22—Grand Master, balance expenses	300 00
27—Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office to 31st January	66 67
Assistant in Grand Secretary's Office salary to 31st January	83 33
Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office salary to 31st January	55 00
Stenographer's salary to 31st January	60 00
Bell Telephone Company account to March 1	15 00
Feb. 1—Hurley Printing Company account to 30th December	584 82
Alex. Mars account to January 2nd	14 00
A. M. Cunningham account to January 1st	4 25
Robert Duncan Company account to Janu- ary 2nd	4 00
Copp Clark Company account to 1st Nov- ember	600 00

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Feb. 24—Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office to 28th February	66 66
Assistant in Grand Secretary's Office salary to 28th February	83 34
Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 28th February	55 00
Stenographer's salary to 28th February	60 00
27—Robert Raw & Company account	9 50
Hurley Printing Company account to 1st February	145 50
Pearce Printing Company account to January 21st	8 00
Howell Lithograph Company account to 14th February	36 00
Robert Duncan & Company account to 1st February	18 00
A. C. Turnbull & Company account to 1st February	41 00
Mar. 12—Grand Master's stenographer, salary	50 00
26—Grand Secretary's salary to 31st March	750 00
Grand Treasurer's salary to 31st March	50 00
Auditor's salary to 31st March	75 00
Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's office to 31st March	66 67
Assistant in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 31st March	83 33
Clerk in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 31st March	55 00
Stenographer's salary to 31st March	60 00
James Cheyne account, Regalia boxes	6 86
Robert Duncan Company account to 1st March	10 70
Office Specialty Company account to 13th March	26 00
Hurley Printing Company account to 28th February	16 25
Hamilton Masonic Hall Association rent to 1st April	115 00
R. W. Bro. Thomas Rafter, expenses, dedication New Hope Lodge 379	7 00
Apr. 7—Toronto General Trust Corp. rent of safe to 6th April 1914	40 00
12—Robert Raw & Company account to 1st Apr.	11 75
Robert Duncan & Company account to 1st April	5 75
Bell Telephone Company account to June 30th	15 05
Hamilton Masonic Hall Association heat and fuel account 1911 and 1912	105 00
26—Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office to 30th April	66 67
Assistant in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 30th April	83 33

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Apr. 26—Clerk in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 30th April	55 00
Stenographer's salary to 30th April	60 00
Grand Secretary, account incidental expenses	50 00
May 27—Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's office to 31st May	66 66
Assistant in Grand Secretary's Office to 31st May	83 34
Clerk in Grand Secretary's office salary to 31st May	55 00
Stenographer's salary to 31st May	60 00
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	\$ 14,963 53
Benevolent Orders	29,108 00
Balance in Bank	2,282 00
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	\$ 46,353 53

The attached Statement of Assets shows the amount to the credit of the General Fund on the 31st May, 1913, and the sums invested, with rates of interest. All the debentures are deposited in the vaults of The Toronto General Trusts Corporation, and are under the care of the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary, who, in addition to the vault clerk of the Toronto General Trusts Corporation, hold check keys of the rented box where the debentures are deposited.

E. T. MALONE,
Grand Treasurer

Audited—Certified to as being correct.

HARRY VIGEON,
Chartered Accountant.

19th June, 1913.

GENERAL ACCOUNT

Statement of Assets at May 31st, 1913

Securities	Rate of Interest		Cost Value	Face Value
	Bear- ing %	Yield- ing %		
Landed Banking & Loan Company	4½	4½	\$ 10,000 00	\$ 10,000 00
Toronto General Trusts Corporation	4½	4½	11,000 00	11,000 00
Berlin, Town of	5	4½	4,916 48	4,797 97
Berlin, Town of	5	5	5,523 08	5,523 08
Brandon, City of	5	4½	10,399 00	10,000 00
Brandon, City of	5	4½	2,116 04	2,000 00
Brantford, City of	4	3½	8,173 60	8,000 00
Brockville, Town of	4	4½	3,336 45	3,562 30
Brockville, Town of	4	4½	3,603 72	3,791 79
Hamilton, City of	4	4½	2,777 70	3,000 00
Kincardine, Town	5	4½	509 80	500 00
New Westminster, City...	5	4.80	5,125 50	5,000 00
New Westminster, City...	5	4½	5,208 50	5,000 00
Oxford, County of	5	4½	1,613 60	1,509 58
Peterboro, Town of	4½	4½	5,121 37	5,121 37
Port Arthur, City	5	4½	1,009 31	1,000 00
St. Thomas, City	4	41/16	12,026 07	12,148 50
St. Thomas, City	5	4½	5,536 99	5,351 16
Stratford, City of	4½	4½	980 95	1,000 00
Stratheona, City of	4½	4½	4,842 00	5,018 28
Toronto, City of	3½	4.05	4,484 14	4,866 66
			\$ 108,304 30	\$ 108,190 69
Balance in Canadian Bank of Commerce				
May 31st, 1913			\$ 2,548 66	
Less cheques outstanding 31st May 1913			266 66	
				\$ 2,282 00
				\$ 110,472 69

Fraternally submitted,

E. T. MALONE,
Grand Treasurer.

Correct, June 19, 1913.

HARRY VIGEON,
Chartered Accountant.

1912—1913.

PAYMENTS BY GRAND TREASURER ON ACCOUNT OF
BENEVOLENCE.

June 1912		Aug.		
14	Bro. A. R.	\$25 00	1 Mrs. J. W.	30 00
26	Mrs. T. D. H.	75 00	Mrs. W. P.	30 00
	Miss M. W.	75 00	Mrs. T. E.	30 00
	Miss W. H. H.	18 75	Mrs. H. G.	20 00
Aug.			Mrs. J. H.	10 00
1	Mrs. J. V.	30 00	Mrs. H. L. K.	30 00
	Mrs. W. A. T.	30 00	Mrs. R. O.	20 00
	Mrs. G. G.	30 00	Mrs. A. P.	30 00
	Mrs. H. J. H.	50 00	Bro. J. A. S.	75 00
	Miss C. P.	25 00	Mrs. J. W.	30 00
	Miss U. P.	25 00	Mrs. J. P.	20 00
	Mrs. W. C. S.	35 00	Mrs. J. A.	50 00
	Mrs. A. S.	30 00	Bro. C. B.	50 00
	Bro. J. W. W.	50 00	Mrs. T. W. H.	40 00
	Mrs. J. J.	40 00	Mrs. J. W. K.	25 00
	Bro. T. K.	50 00	Mrs. T. McC. L.	40 00
	Miss A. McP.	25 00	Mrs. D. W. V.	30 00
	Mrs. G. P.	40 00	Mrs. J. W. C.	30 00
	Mrs. R. A. K.	30 00	Mrs. G. C.	30 00
	Mrs. R. T. P.	50 00	Mrs. W. H. H.	30 00
	Mrs. T. H. W.	25 00	Mrs. A. J.	30 00
	Mrs. A. T.	20 00	Mrs. W. M.	30 00
	Bro. W. A. D.	50 00	Mrs. W. J. S.	40 00
	Mrs. C. W. S. S.	50 00	Mrs. W. P.	20 00
	Mrs. A. H.	30 00	Mrs. B. C. T.	30 00
	Mrs. J. J. M.	50 00	Mrs. J. W.	30 00
	Mrs. J. C.	50 00	Mrs. T. B.	15 00
	Mrs. J. H.	25 00	Mrs. J. E. M.	50 00
	Mrs. R. M. K.	25 00	Bro. W. H. W.	50 00
	Mrs. J. A. M.	15 00	Mrs. J. E.	30 00
	Mrs. T. E. McD.	25 00	Mrs. P. G.	40 00
	Mrs. A. M.	30 00	Miss H. M. H.	20 00
	Mrs. H. G. V.	40 00	Mrs. W. B.	20 00
	Bro. T. H. L.	50 00	Bro. W. H.	50 00
	Mrs. W. J. McB.	30 00	Mrs. D. B.	30 00
	Mrs. W. R.	30 00	Bro. R. J. J.	75 00
	Mrs. G. S.	25 00	Miss E. M. K.	20 00
	Bro. J. B. S.	50 00	Mrs. J. W. M.	20 00
	Widow R. W.	25 00	Mrs. W. G. S. R.	20 00
	Bro. W. J. H.	30 00	Mrs. W. F.	30 00
	Mrs. C. W. M.	30 00	Mrs. W. H. B.	30 00
	Mrs. E. O. S.	25 00	Mrs. A. H.	15 00
	Mrs. F. L. A.	50 00	Mrs. H. H.	20 00
	Mrs. W. J. B.	40 00	Mrs. W. M. H.	30 00
	Mrs. J. M.	40 00	Mrs. T. J. B.	20 00
	Mrs. J. T.	10 00	Mrs. S. M. D.	20 00
	Bro. E. H. B.	75 00	Mrs. F. A. G.	50 00
	Bro. W. McC.	30 00	Bro. J. A. C.	75 00
	Bro. G. P.	50 00	Mrs. W. P. K.	20 00

Aug.

1 Mrs. A. L.	25 00
Mr. S. L.	25 00
Mrs. J. McK.	25 00
Mrs. W. McM.	30 00
Mrs. W. W. T.	40 00
Mrs. C. W. M.	10 00
Mrs. A. M.	10 00
Mrs. W. M.	25 00
Mrs. T. S. S.	20 00
Mrs. W. B.	20 00
Mrs. H. C.	20 00
Mrs. G. H. N.	25 00
Mrs. J. G.	30 00
Mrs. E. L.	30 00
Bro. E. H. R.	30 00
Mrs. F. C.	10 00
Bro. H. O. H.	30 00
Mrs. E. L. Z.	40 00
Mrs. C. McL.	40 00
Miss B.	20 00
Mrs. H. H.	25 00
Bro. A. R. M.	75 00
Mrs. D. McK.	30 00
Mrs. W. H. S.	30 00
Mrs. G. S.	30 00
Mrs. T. A.	30 00
Mrs. J. H.	20 00
Bro. J. H.	75 00
Bro. W. J. K.	75 00
Mrs. R. J. L.	30 00
Mrs. W. J. T.	30 00
Mrs. F. L. B.	40 00
Bro. A. E. B.	75 00
Mrs. T. G.	50 00
Mrs. J. H.	30 00
Mrs. R. D. M.	25 00
Mrs. G. T. P.	40 00
Mrs. T. G. T.	30 00
Mrs. E. S. W.	25 00
Mrs. D. H. W.	25 00
Mrs. J. M.	20 00
Mrs. A. R. P.	40 00
Mrs. J. T. G.	30 00
Mrs. E. W.	40 00
Mrs. J. W. B.	30 00
Mrs. J. H. B.	20 00
Mrs. W. A. B.	30 00
Mrs. R. H. D.	25 00
Miss E. E.	20 00
Mrs. R. H.	10 00
Mrs. J. P.	20 00
Mrs. T. R.	25 00
Bro. J. W. W.	30 00
Mrs. A. W.	25 00
Mrs. S. W.	30 00

Aug.

1 Mrs. D. B.	30 00
Bro. F. J.	50 00
Mrs. R. A. M.	40 00
Mrs. J. R. L. S.	25 00
Mrs. R. C.	30 00
Mrs. G. H. B.	40 00
Mrs. W. O. M.	30 00
Mrs. E. O.	15 00
Mrs. J. R. W.	30 00
Bro. J. L. R.	50 00
Mrs. O. J. A.	30 00
Mrs. J. H. B.	30 00
Mrs. F. D.	40 00
Mrs. T. McK.	50 00
Mrs. W. P.	30 00
Mrs. G. B. L.	30 00
Mrs. J. S. G.	20 00
Mrs. J. W. H.	30 00
Mrs. H. St. V. J.	20 00
Mrs. H. S. McG.	20 00
Mrs. G. M. McI.	40 00
Mrs. C. N.	40 00
Mrs. R. C.	30 00
Mrs. P. P.	30 00
Mrs. F. W. S.	40 00
Bro. T. T.	50 00
Mrs. M. McL.	40 00
Mrs. A. V. F.	30 00
Mrs. W. E. H.	40 00
Mrs. C. F. H. S.	40 00
Mrs. F. A. R.	50 00
Mrs. S. B.	20 00
Bro. H. E. C.	50 00
Mrs. W. C.	30 00
Mrs. J. N.	40 00
Mrs. C. F. S.	50 00
Bro. J. A. G.	30 00
Mrs. C. J. L.	25 00
Bro. M. G. R.	75 00
Mrs. J. A. B.	30 00
Mrs. F. M. B.	40 00
Mrs. H. H.	40 00
Mrs. J. M.	25 00
Mrs. J. D. S.	30 00
Mrs. J. S.	30 00
Bro. A. B.	50 00
Mrs. W. T. W.	40 00
Mrs. A. C.	20 00
Mrs. S. M. C.	50 00
Bro. S. A. B.	75 00
Mrs. J. A.	20 00
Miss A. C.	50 00
Bro. J. W.	30 00
Mrs. H. J. C.	30 00

Aug.

1 Mrs. A. A. C.	30 00
Mrs. G. O. W.	50 00
Mrs. J. M.	50 00
Mrs. W. F.	25 00
Mrs. R. A. D.	40 00
Mrs. C. H. H.	30 00
Mrs. C. J. H.	40 00
Mrs. J. S. B.	30 00
Mrs. G. F. H.	30 00
Mrs. S. S. R.	30 00
Mrs. W. B. W.	50 00
Bro. J. C.	50 00
Mrs. L. R.	40 00
Mrs. T. H. S.	40 00
Mrs. W. W.	10 00
Bro. A. C.	75 00
Mrs. H. E.	25 00
Mrs. A. DeP.	30 00
Mrs. T. H.	30 00
Bro. W. B.	50 00
Bro. J. C. S.	30 00
Mrs. E. W.	30 00
Orphans, W. H. W.	40 00
Mrs. C. J. A.	20 00
Mrs. H. A.	40 00
Bro. S. B.	50 00
Mrs. J. G. S.	30 00
Mrs. W. J. W.	25 00
Mrs. J. H. W.	30 00
Mrs. D. L. C.	20 00
Bro. B. H. E.	30 00
Mrs. A. C.	40 00
Bro. W. A. D.	75 00
Mrs. H. R. E.	30 00
Mrs. W. K.	30 00
Mrs. W. J. C.	50 00
Mrs. J. M.	30 00
Mrs. J. B.	30 00
Mrs. J. M. A.	30 00
Bro. J. E. H.	40 00
Bro. G. C.	50 00
Bro. F. McM.	75 00
Bro. J. M.	50 00
Mrs. T. H. C.	30 00
Bro. J. K.	75 00
Bro. W. A. R.	50 00
Bro. J. W.	30 00
Bro. F. R.	30 00
Mrs. A. W.	40 00
Mrs. W. J. B.	20 00
Bro. H. C. P.	30 00
Mrs. J. E.	20 00
Mrs. A. W. C.	30 00
Mrs. W. M.	20 00

Aug.

1 Mrs. C. F. R.	40 00
Mrs. W. R. A.	15 00
Mrs. A. C. C.	20 00
Bro. J. G.	30 00
Mrs. C. H. C.	20 00
Mrs. G. O. F.	40 00
Mrs. G. G.	20 00
Bro. W. E. K.	20 00
Mrs. M. J. L.	20 00
Mrs. S. T.	40 00
Mrs. P. F.	30 00
Mrs. C. G.	25 00
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Bro. A. E.	50 00
Mrs. R. W. L.	30 00
Mrs. W. McG.	50 00
Bro. W. S.	25 00
Mrs. J. H.	30 00
Bro. H. W. B.	75 00
Bro. J. E. R.	75 00
Mrs. W. A.	30 00
Bro. J. W. C.	30 00
Bro. T. H.	75 00
Mrs. J. W.	50 00
Mrs. G. R.	40 00
Mrs. J. S.	20 00
Mrs. C. F.	30 00
Mrs. J. H. T.	30 00
Mrs. J. W. M.	30 00
Mrs. J. E. A.	30 00
Mrs. T. G. B.	50 00
Mrs. C. B.	10 00
Mrs. G. S.	40 00
Mrs. D. G. K.	40 00
Miss M. L.	20 00
Mrs. J. F.	50 00
Mrs. J. R.	50 00
Mrs. N. W. C.	25 00
Mrs. H. G. G.	40 00
Mrs. J. McC.	30 00
Bro. G. W. A. P.	75 00
Mrs. J. P.	40 00
Bro. R. A.	50 00
Mrs. J. A.	50 00
Miss H. S.	30 00
Bro. E. G.	30 00
Miss A. V.	20 00
Bro. A. B.	50 00
Mrs. C. A. C.	25 00
Mrs. G. A. S.	40 00
Bro. J. McI.	50 00
Mrs. R. L. S.	50 00
Mrs. W. R. S.	30 00
Mrs. H. H.	30 00
Mrs. J. F.	30 00

Aug.

1	Mrs. W. Y.	50 00
	Mrs. G. H. L.	50 00
	Bro. W. H. L.	75 00
	Mrs. A. K.	30 00
	Bro. W. B.	30 00
	Mrs. J. Z.	30 00
	Mrs. J. A. C.	30 00
	Mrs. S. W.	30 00
	Mrs. R. H. W.	20 00
	Mrs. D. McN.	30 00
	Bro. W. B. A.	30 00
	Mrs. P. N.	30 00
	Mrs. J. W.	20 00
	Mrs. G. H. L.	50 00
	Mrs. W. C.	15 00
	Bro. E. W. T.	75 00
	Mrs. R. C.	20 00
	Mrs. J. D. D.	40 00
	Bro. H. J. N.	75 00
	Mrs. R. A. R.	20 00
	Bro. L. G.	50 00
	Bro. J. C.	50 00
	Mrs. J. A.	50 00
	Mrs. R. S. M.	30 00
	Mrs. G. W. A.	40 00
	Bro. R. V.	75 00
	Mrs. R. A.	50 00
	Mrs. T. L.	40 00
	Mrs. E. D.	40 00
	Mrs. J. P. V.	30 00
	Bro. C. L.	15 00
	Mrs. J. F. S.	25 00
	Bro. C. S.	75 00
	Mrs. H. R.	35 00
	Mrs. A. E. H.	30 00
	Mrs. J. McN.	30 00
	Mrs. J. M.	30 00
	Mrs. R. G. R.	20 00
	Mrs. H. L.	30 00
	Mrs. A. L.	20 00
	Mrs. T. McG.	20 00
	Mrs. W. B. S.	20 00
	Mrs. A. A. M.	40 00
	Bro. J. C. M.	50 00
	Bro. F. P.	75 00
	Bro. J. B.	75 00
	Mrs. J. S.	30 00
	Mrs. C. C. G.	15 00
	Mrs. J. W. W.	40 00
	Bro. H. H.	30 00
	Bro. G. A. F. C.	40 00
	Bro. D. T.	75 00
	Mrs. J. D. R.	30 00
	Mrs. S. H. W.	30 00

Aug.

1	Mrs. J. E. E.	15 00
	Miss P. R.	25 00
	Mrs. G. W.	50 00
	Bro. J. C.	50 00
	Mrs. J. F. T.	30 00
	Bro. S. C. D.	75 00
	Miss M. C.	30 00
	Mrs. A. F.	30 00
	Bro. R. G.	50 00
	Mrs. J. H. B.	50 00
	Mrs. A. C.	30 00
	Mrs. F. L. H.	30 00
	Bro. H. C. E. C.	25 00
	Bro. H. A.	50 00
	Bro. W. B.	50 00
	Bro. J. N.	50 00
	Mrs. H. P.	50 00
	Bro. T. P.	50 00
	Mrs. S. S.	30 00
	Mrs. W. B.	50 00
	Mrs. A. C.	50 00
	Bro. W. A. K.	50 00
	Mrs. J. A. R.	30 00
	Mrs. R. E.	20 00
	Children Bro. V.	50 00
	Bro. D. C.	75 00
	Mrs. J. A. McN.	40 00
	Mrs. J. W. G.	50 00
	Mrs. A. B.	50 00
	Mrs. J. L. G.	100 00
24	Mrs. J. W.	50 00

Sept.

26	Mrs. T. D. H.	75 00
	Miss M. W.	75 00
	Miss M. H. H.	18 75

Oct.

16	Bro. J. D. I.	50 00
	Mrs. I. W. T.	50 00

Nov.

26	Bro. H. T. LeB.	50 00
	Mrs. T. B.	50 00

Dec.

4	W. M. Blair, L. 314	30 00
18	Mrs. T. D. H.	75 00
	Miss M. W.	75 00
	Miss M. H. H.	18 75
27	Bro. M. W. E.	50 00
	Mrs. E.	50 00
	Mrs. H. McD.	50 00

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Jan.

17	Mrs. O. fun. expenses	15 00
	Bro. J. W.	30 00

Feb.

15	Mrs. J. V.	30 00
	Mrs. W. A. T.	30 00
	Mrs. G. G.	30 00
	Mrs. H. J. H.	50 00
	Miss C. P.	25 00
	Miss U. P.	25 00
	Mrs. A. S.	30 00
	Bro. J. W. W.	50 00
	Mrs. J. J.	40 00
	Bro. T. K.	50 00
	Miss A. McP.	25 00
	Mrs. G. P.	40 00
	Mrs. R. A. K.	30 00
	Mrs. R. T. P.	50 00
	Mrs. T. H. W.	25 00
	Mrs. A. T.	20 00
	Mrs. C. W. S. S.	50 00
	Mrs. A. H.	30 00
	Mrs. I. I. M.	50 00
	Mrs. J. C.	50 00
	Mrs. J. H.	25 00
	Mrs. R. K.	25 00
	Mrs. J. A. M.	15 00
	Mrs. T. E. McD.	25 00
	Mrs. A. M.	30 00
	Mrs. H. G. V.	40 00
	Mrs. I. W. McB.	30 00
	Mrs. R.	30 00
	Mrs. G. S.	25 00
	Bro. I. B. S.	50 00
	Mrs. R. W.	25 00
	Bro. W. J. H.	30 00
	Mrs. C. W. M.	30 00
	Mrs. E. B. S.	25 00
	Mrs. W. J. B.	40 00
	Mrs. J. M.	40 00
	Mrs. J. T.	10 00
	Bro. E. H. B.	75 00
	Bro. G. P.	50 00
	Mrs. J. W.	30 00
	Mrs. W. P.	30 00
	Mrs. T. E.	30 00
	Mrs. H. G.	20 00
	Mrs. J. H.	10 00
	Mrs. H. L. K.	30 00
	Mrs. R. O.	20 00
	Mrs. A. P.	30 00
	Bro. J. A. S.	75 00
	Mrs. J. W.	30 00
	Mrs. J. P.	20 00
	Mrs. J. A.	50 00
	Bro. C. B.	50 00
	Mrs. R. W. H.	40 00
	Mrs. J. W. K.	25 00

Feb.

15	Mrs. T. C. L.	40 00
	Mrs. J. W. C.	30 00
	Mrs. G. C.	30 00
	Mrs. W. H. H.	30 00
	Mrs. A. J.	30 00
	Mrs. W. M.	30 00
	Mrs. W. J. S.	40 00
	Mrs. W. P.	20 00
	Mrs. B. C. T.	30 00
	Mrs. J. C. W.	30 00
	Mrs. T. B.	15 00
	Mrs. J. E. M.	50 00
	Bro. W. H. W.	50 00
	Mrs. J. E.	30 00
	Mrs. P. G.	40 00
	Miss H. H.	20 00
	Mrs. W. B.	20 00
	Bro. W. H.	50 00
	Mrs. D. B.	30 00
	Bro. R. J. J.	75 00
	Miss E. M. K.	20 00
	Mrs. J. W. M.	20 00
	Mrs. W. G. S. R.	20 00
	Mrs. W. F.	30 00
	Mrs. W. H. B.	30 00
	Mrs. A. H.	15 00
	Mrs. H. H.	20 00
	Mrs. W. H. H.	30 00
	Mrs. T. J. B.	20 00
	Mrs. S. M. D.	20 00
	Mrs. F. A. G.	50 00
	Bro. J. A. C.	75 00
	Mrs. W. P. K.	20 00
	Mrs. A. L.	25 00
	Mrs. J. McK.	25 00
	Mrs. W. McM.	30 00
	Mrs. W. W. T.	40 00
	Mrs. C. W. M.	10 00
	Mrs. A. M.	10 00
	Mrs. T. S. S.	20 00
	Mrs. W. B.	30 00
	Mrs. H. C.	20 00
	Mrs. G. H. N.	25 00
	Mrs. J. G.	30 00
	Mrs. E. H. L.	30 00
	Mrs. E. H. R.	30 00
	Mrs. F. C.	10 00
	Bro. H. O. H.	30 00
	Mrs. E. L. Z.	40 00
	Mrs. C. McL.	40 00
	Miss A. B.	20 00
	Mrs. H. H.	25 00
	Bro. A. R. M.	75 00
	Mrs. D. McK.	30 00

Feb.

15	Mrs. W. H. S.	30 00
	Mrs. G. S.	30 00
	Mrs. T. A.	30 00
	Mrs. J. H.	20 00
	Bro. J. H.	75 00
	Bro. W. J. K.	75 00
	Mrs. R. J. L.	30 00
	Mrs. W. J. T.	30 00
	Mrs. F. S. B.	40 00
	Mrs. A. E. B.	75 00
	Mrs. T. G.	50 00
	Mrs. J. H.	30 00
	Mrs. R. D. M.	25 00
	Mrs. G. T. P.	40 00
	Mrs. T. G. T.	30 00
	Mrs. E. S. W.	25 00
	Mrs. D. H. W.	25 00
	Mrs. J. M.	20 00
	Mrs. A. R. P.	40 00
	Mrs. J. T. G.	30 00
	Mrs. J. W. B.	30 00
	Mrs. J. H. B.	20 00
	Mrs. W. A. B.	30 00
	Miss E. E.	20 00
	Mrs. R. H.	10 00
	Mrs. J. P.	20 00
	Mrs. T. R.	25 00
	Bro. J. W. W.	30 00
	Mrs. A. W.	25 00
	Mrs. S. W.	30 00
	Mrs. D. B.	30 00
	Bro. F. J.	50 00
	Mrs. R. M.	40 00
	Mrs. J. R. L. S.	25 00
	Mrs. R. C.	30 00
	Mrs. G. H. B.	40 00
	Mrs. W. O. M.	30 00
	Mrs. J. R. W.	30 00
	Mrs. J. L. R.	50 00
	Mrs. O. J. A.	30 00
	Mrs. J. H. B.	30 00
	Mrs. F. D.	40 00
	Mrs. T. McK.	50 00
	Mrs. W. P.	30 00
	Mrs. G. B. L.	30 00
	Mrs. J. S. G.	20 00
	Mrs. J. W. H.	30 00
	Mrs. H. St. V. J.	20 00
	Mrs. H. McG.	20 00
	Mrs. G. M. McL.	40 00
	Mrs. C. N.	40 00
	Mrs. R. C.	30 00
	Mrs. P. P.	30 00
	Mrs. F. W. S.	40 00

Feb.

15	Bro. T. T.	50 00
	Mrs. M. McL.	40 00
	Mrs. A. W. F.	30 00
	Mrs. W. F. H.	40 00
	Mrs. C. F. H. S.	40 00
	Mrs. F. A. R.	50 00
	Mrs. S. B.	20 00
	Bro. H. C.	50 00
	Mrs. W. C.	30 00
	Mrs. J. N.	40 00
	Mrs. C. F. S.	50 00
	Bro. M. J. R.	75 00
	Mrs. J. A. B.	30 00
	Mrs. F. M. B.	40 00
	Mrs. H. H.	40 00
	Mrs. J. M.	25 00
	Mrs. J. D. S.	30 00
	Mrs. J. S.	30 00
	Bro. A. B.	50 00
	Mrs. W. T. W.	40 00
	Mrs. A. C.	20 00
	Mrs. S. M. C.	50 00
	Bro. S. A. B.	75 00
	Mrs. J. A.	20 00
	Miss A. C.	50 00
	Mrs. H. J. C.	30 00
	Mrs. A. A. C.	30 00
	Mrs. G. O. W.	50 00
	Mrs. J. W.	50 00
	Mrs. W. F.	25 00
	Mrs. R. A. D.	40 00
	Mrs. C. H. H.	30 00
	Mrs. C. I. H.	40 00
	Mrs. J. S. B.	30 00
	Mrs. G. F. H.	30 00
	Mrs. S. S. R.	30 00
	Mrs. W. B. W.	50 00
	Mrs. L. R.	40 00
	Mrs. T. H. S.	40 00
	Mrs. W. W.	10 00
	Bro. A. C.	75 00
	Mrs. H. E.	25 00
	Mrs. A. D. P.	30 00
	Mrs. T. H.	30 00
	Bro. W. B.	50 00
	Bro. J. C. S.	30 00
	Mrs. E. W.	30 00
	Orphans, W. H. W.	40 00
	Mrs. C. J. A.	20 00
	Mrs. H. A.	40 00
	Bro. S. B.	50 00
	Mrs. J. G. S.	30 00
	Mrs. W. J. W.	25 00
	Mrs. J. H. W.	30 00

Feb.

15	Mrs. D. L. C.	20 00
	Mrs. B. J. E.	30 00
	Mrs. A. C.	40 00
	Bro. W. A. D.	75 00
	Mrs. N. R. E.	30 00
	Mrs. W. K.	30 00
	Mrs. W. J. C.	50 00
	Mrs. J. M.	30 00
	Mrs. J. B.	30 00
	Mrs. J. M. A.	30 00
	Mrs. J. E. H.	40 00
	Bro. G. C.	50 00
	Bro. F. McM.	75 00
	Bro. J. M.	50 00
	Mrs. T. H. C.	30 00
	Bro. J. K.	75 00
	Bro. W. A. R.	50 00
	Bro. F. R.	30 00
	Mrs. A. W.	40 00
	Mrs. W. J. B.	20 00
	Bro. J. R.	30 00
	Bro. H. C. P.	30 00
	Mrs. J. E.	20 00
	Mrs. A. W. C.	30 00
	Mrs. W. M.	20 00
	Mrs. C. F. R.	40 00
	Mrs. W. R. A.	15 00
	Mrs. A. C. C.	20 00
	Miss G.	30 00
	Mrs. C. H. C.	20 00
	Mrs. G. G. F.	40 00
	Mrs. G. G.	20 00
	Mrs. W. E. K.	20 00
	Mrs. M. J. L.	20 00
	Mrs. S. T.	40 00
	Mrs. P. F.	30 00
	Mrs. C. G.	25 00
	Mrs. T. B.	30 00
	Bro. A. E.	50 00
	Mrs. R. W. L.	30 00
	Mrs. W. McG.	50 00
	Bro. W. S.	25 00
	Mrs. J. H.	30 00
	Bro. J. E. R.	75 00
	Mrs. W. A.	30 00
	Bro. J. W. C.	30 00
	Bro. T. H.	75 00
	Mrs. G. R.	40 00
	Mrs. J. S.	20 00
	Mrs. C. F.	30 00
	Mrs. J. H. T.	30 00
	Mrs. J. W. M.	30 00
	Mrs. J. E. A.	30 00
	Mrs. T. G. B.	50 00

Feb.

15	Miss L. B. for C. B.	10 00
	Mrs. G. S.	40 00
	Mrs. D. G. K.	40 00
	Miss M. L.	20 00
	Mrs. J. F.	50 00
	Mrs. J. R.	50 00
	Mrs. N. M. C.	25 00
	Mrs. H. C. G.	40 00
	Mrs. J. McC.	30 00
	Bro. G. W. A. P.	75 00
	Mrs. J. P.	40 00
	Bro. R. A.	50 00
	Mrs. J. A.	50 00
	Miss H. S.	30 00
	Mrs. E. G.	30 00
	Bro. A. B.	50 00
	Mrs. C. A. G.	25 00
	Mrs. G. A. S.	40 00
	Bro. J. McI.	50 00
	Mrs. R. L. S.	50 00
	Mrs. W. R. S.	30 00
	Mrs. H. H.	30 00
	Mrs. J. F.	30 00
	Mrs. G. H. L.	50 00
	Mrs. W. H. L.	75 00
	Mrs. A. K.	30 00
	Bro. W. B.	30 00
	Mrs. J. Z.	30 00
	Mrs. J. A. C.	30 00
	Mrs. S. W.	30 00
	Mrs. R. H. W.	20 00
	Mrs. D. McN.	30 00
	Bro. W. B. A.	30 00
	Mrs. P. N.	30 00
	Mrs. J. W.	20 00
	Mrs. G. H. L.	50 00
	Mrs. W. C.	15 00
	Bro. E. W. T.	75 00
	Mrs. R. C.	20 00
	Mrs. J. D. D.	40 00
	Bro. H. J. N.	75 00
	Mrs. R. H. B.	20 00
	Bro. L. G.	50 00
	Bro. I. C.	50 00
	Miss L. A. for Mrs.	
	J. A.	50 00
	Mrs. R. S. M.	30 00
	Mrs. G. W. A.	40 00
	Bro. R. V.	75 00
	Mrs. T. L.	40 00
	Mrs. E. D.	40 00
	Mrs. J. P. V.	30 00
	Mrs. J. P. S.	25 00
	Bro. S. C.	75 00

Feb.

15	Mrs. H. R.	35 00
	Mrs. A. E. H.	30 00
	Mrs. J. McN.	30 00
	Mrs. R. G. R.	20 00
	Mrs. H. L.	30 00
	Mrs. T. H. McG.	20 00
	Mrs. W. B. S.	20 00
	Mrs. A. M.	40 00
	Mrs. F. P.	75 00
	Bro. J. B.	75 00
	Mrs. J. S.	30 00
	Mrs. C. C. G.	15 00
	Mrs. W. J. W.	40 00
	Bro. H. H.	30 00
	Bro. G. A. F. C.	40 00
	Bro. D. T.	75 00
	Miss P. R.	25 00
	Mrs. G. W.	50 00
	Bro. J. C.	50 00
	Mrs. J. F. T.	30 00
	Bro. S. C. D.	75 00
	Miss M. C.	30 00
	Bro. R. G.	50 00
	Mrs. J. H. B.	50 00
	Mrs. A. C.	30 00
	Mrs. F. B. H.	30 00
	Bro. H. C. E. C.	25 00
	Bro. H. A.	50 00
	Bro. W. B.	50 00
	Bro. J. N.	50 00
	Mrs. H. P.	50 00
	Bro. T. P.	50 00
	Mrs. S. S.	30 00
	Mrs. W. B.	50 00
	Mrs. A. C.	50 00

Feb.

15	Bro. W. A. K.	50 00
	Mrs. J. A. R.	30 00
	Children of Bro. V.	50 00
	Bro. D. C.	75 00
	Bro. J. A. McN.	40 00
	Mrs. J. W. G.	50 00
	Mrs. A. B.	50 00
19	Mrs. R. E.	20 00
	Bro. J. B. H. for ac- count expenses	
	Bro. B. funeral ex- penses	73 00
21	Mrs. A. F.	30 00
Mar.		
7	Mrs. R. T. H.	50 00
	Mrs. T. H.	50 00
	Bro. D. P.	50 00
24	Mrs. J. D. R.	30 00
	Mrs. S. H. W.	30 00
	Mrs. T. D. H.	75 00
	Miss M. W.	75 00
26	Miss M. H. H.	18 75
Apr.		
3	Miss A. V.	20 00
11	Bro. T. L.	50 00
18	Bro. L. C. H.	50 00
23	Bro. W. A. W.	50 00
29	Bro. W. C. S.	40 00
May		
19	Mrs. W. D.	50 00
	Mrs. W. M. (late) funeral expenses	25 00
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		\$29,108 00
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THE SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

I herewith submit Statement of Receipts and Expenditures of the Semi-Centennial Fund for the year ended May 31st, 1913.

RECEIPTS

To Balance at the credit of the Account in the the Canadian Bank of Commerce on May 31st, 1912	\$ 3,902 28
Less outstanding cheques	1,740 00
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	\$ 2,162 28
Amount received from Grand Secretary during year ending 31st May 1913....	\$4,182 95
Interest on Investments	4,656 91
Interest on Bank Deposits	84 75
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	\$ 8,924 61
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	\$11,086 89
Berlin Debenture instalment	\$ 51 22
Berlin Debenture instalment	596 29
City of Toronto Debenture	5,000 00
East Toronto Debenture instalment	518 67
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	\$ 6,166 18
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	\$17,253 07

DISBURSEMENTS

By Purchase of—	
Town of St. Marys Debenture	\$ 8,727 51
Town of Durham Debenture	1,495 90
Town of Strathroy Debenture	931 90
Benevolent Grants	4,727 00
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	\$15,882 31
Balance in Bank	\$ 2,185 76
Less outstanding cheques	815 00
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	\$ 1,370 76
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	\$17,253 07

All of which is fraternally submitted

E. T. MALONE,
Grand Treasurer.

Audited and found correct.

HARRY VIGEON,
Chartered Accountant

19th June, 1913.

1912—1913

**PAYMENTS BY THE GRAND TREASURER ON ACCOUNT
OF BENEVOLENCE, SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVO-
LENT FUND.**

1912	1912
Dec.	Dec.
21 Mrs. H. J. H. ....\$25 00	21 Mrs. J. W. 25 00
Bro. T. K. 25 00	Mrs. J. F. 50 00
Mrs. R. T. P. 25 00	Mrs. J. R. 25 00
Mrs. C. W. S. S. 25 00	Mrs. J. P. 25 00
Mrs. J. J. M. 25 00	21 Bro. R. A. 25 00
Mrs. J. C. 25 00	Mrs. J. A. 25 00
Mrs. C. H. M. 20 00	Bro. A. B. 25 00
Mrs. J. M. 20 00	Bro. W. H. L. 50 00
Bro. E. H. B. 50 00	Bro. E. W. T. 25 00
Bro. J. P. 25 00	Bro. H. J. N. 50 00
Mrs. J. A. 20 00	Miss L. A. 25 00
Bro. J. A. S. 25 00	Bro. R. V. 50 00
Mrs. T. McC. L. 20 00	Bro. F. P. 25 00
Mrs. W. J. S. 20 00	Bro. J. B. 75 00
Bro. W. H. W. 25 00	Bro. T. P. 50 00
Mrs. J. E. M. 20 00	Mrs. W. B. 25 00
Bro. R. J. J. 25 00	Bro. W. A. K. 25 00
Mrs. F. W. G. 25 00	Bro. S. A. B. 25 00
Bro. J. A. C. 50 00	Bro. W. H. 25 00
Bro. A. R. M. 25 00	Mrs. W. S. M. 25 00
Mrs. G. S. 20 00	Mrs. W. V. F. 15 00
Bro. W. J. R. 50 00	Mrs. W. P. 15 00
Bro. A. E. B. 40 00	Mrs. E. L. 25 00
Mrs. T. G. 25 00	Bro. A. B. 15 00
Mrs. A. R. P. 20 00	Mrs. C. F. S. 15 00
Mrs. J. L. R. 25 00	Mrs. A. H. C. 15 00
Mrs. T. McK. 25 00	Bro. J. C. S. 25 00
Mrs. C. N. 10 00	Mrs. J. G. S. 25 00
Bro. M. G. R. 25 00	Bro. W. A. R. 25 00
Mrs. W. T. W. 15 00	Bro. A. W. 20 00
Mrs. R. A. M. 25 00	Bro. J. W. C. 20 00
Mrs. H. A. C. 25 00	Mrs. G. H. L. 25 00
Mrs. I. N. C. 25 00	Mrs. D. McN. 15 00
Miss A. C. 25 00	Mrs. J. D. D. 15 00
Mrs. W. F. 25 00	Mrs. A. C. 20 00
Mrs. L. R. 20 00	Mrs. J. F. G. 20 00
Orphans W. H. W. 20 00	1913
Bro. S. B. 25 00	Jan.
Mrs. H. V. A. 25 00	8 Bro. D. V. 25 00
Bro. W. A. D. 75 00	Feb.
Mrs. J. E. H. 20 00	5 Mrs. E. F. 50 00
Bro. F. McM. 75 00	Miss L. A. 50 00
Bro. F. R. 25 00	Mar.
Mrs. J. K. 50 00	7 Bro. D. P. 50 00
Mrs. G. O. F. 25 00	May
Bro. J. E. R. 75 00	19 Mrs. H. J. H. 25 00
Bro. T. H. 25 00	Bro. T. K. 25 00
	Mrs. R. T. P. 25 00

May

19	Mrs. C. W. S. S.	25 00
	Mrs. I. I. M.	25 00
	Mrs. J. C.	25 00
	Mrs. C. W. M.	20 00
	Mrs. J. M.	20 00
	Mrs. E. H. B.	50 00
	Mrs. J. A.	20 00
	Bro. J. A. S.	25 00
	Mrs. T. C. L.	20 00
	Mrs. W. J. S.	20 00
	Bro. W. H. W.	25 00
	Mrs. J. E. M.	20 00
	Bro. R. J. J.	25 00
	Mrs. F. A. G.	25 00
	Bro. J. A. C.	50 00
	Bro. A. R. M.	25 00
	Mrs. G. S.	20 00
	Bro. W. J. K.	50 00
	Bro. A. E. B.	40 00
	Mrs. T. G.	25 00
	Mrs. A. R. P.	20 00
	Mrs. J. L. R.	25 00
	Mrs. T. McK.	25 00
	Mrs. C. N.	10 00
	Bro. M. G. R.	25 00
	Mrs. W. T. W.	15 00
	Mrs. R. A. M.	25 00
	Bro. H. E. C.	25 00
	Mrs. S. N. C.	25 00
	Mrs. W. F.	25 00
	Mrs. L. R.	20 00
	Orphans W. H. W.	20 00
	Bro. S. B.	25 00
	Mrs. H. A.	25 00
	Bro. W. A. D.	75 00
	Mrs. J. E. H.	20 00
	Bro. F. McM.	75 00
	Bro. F. R.	25 00
	Bro. J. K.	50 00
	Mrs. G. O. F.	25 00

19th June,

May

19	Bro. J. E. R.	75 00
	Bro. T. H.	25 00
	Mrs. J. W.	25 00
	Mrs. J. F.	50 00
	Mrs. J. R.	25 00
	Mrs. J. P.	25 00
	Mrs. R. A.	25 00
	Mrs. J. A.	25 00
	Mrs. A. B.	25 00
	Bro. W. H. L.	50 00
	Bro. E. W. T.	25 00
	Miss L. A.	25 00
	Bro. F. P.	25 00
	Bro. J. B.	75 00
	Bro. T. P.	50 00
	Mrs. W. B.	25 00
	Bro. W. A. K.	25 00
	Bro. S. A. B.	25 00
	Bro. W. H.	25 00
	Mrs. W. S. M.	25 00
	Mrs. A. V. F.	15 00
	Mrs. W. P.	15 00
	Mrs. E. L.	25 00
	Bro. A. B.	15 00
	Mrs. C. F. S.	15 00
	Mrs. A. A. C.	15 00
	Bro. J. C. S.	25 00
	Mrs. J. G. S.	25 00
	Bro. W. A. R.	25 00
	Bro. A. E.	20 00
	Bro. J. W. C.	20 00
	Mrs. G. H. L.	25 00
	Mrs. D. McN.	15 00
	Mrs. J. D. D.	15 00
	Mrs. A. C.	20 00
	Mrs. J. W. G.	20 00
	Mrs. W. M. funeral expenses	37 00

\$4,727 00

SEMI-CENTENIAL BENEVOLENT FUND

Statement of Assets at May 31st, 1913.

Securities	Rate of Interest		Cost Value	Face Value
	Bear- ing%	Yield- ing%		
DEBENTURES				
Berlin, City of	5	4½	\$ 1,327 90	\$ 1,272 18
Berlin, City of	5	4¾	6,988 62	6,903 71
Berlin, City of	5	4½	3,088 38	3,000 00
Brandon, City of	5	4½	4,170 00	4,000 00
Durham, Town of	5	5½	1,439 71	1,528 43
Calgary, City of	4½	4½	3,980 00	4,000 00
East Toronto, Town	5	5½	1,092 56	1,116 45
Galt, Town of	4	5	1,695 60	2,000 00
Ingersoll, Town of	4	5	891 60	1,000 00
Kincardine, Town of	5	4¾	1,019 60	1,000 00
North Vancouver, Dis.	4½	4¾	2,880 60	3,000 00
Oakville, Town of	5	4¾	4,971 42	4,787 92
Oshawa, Town of	4½	4½	5,272 13	5,272 13
Ottawa, City of	4	4½	1,951 80	2,000 00
Owen Sound, Town of ...	4½	5	940 10	1,000 00
Owen Sound, Town of ...	5	4¼	2,200 80	2,000 00
Peterborough, City of	3	4	1,693 20	2,000 00
Peterborough, City of ...	4	5	907 90	1,000 00
Peterborough, City of ...	4¾	4½	1,905 50	1,850 00
Peterborough, City of ...	4½	4½	3,854 72	3,854 72
St. Catharines, City of ...	4	4¼	5,141 74	5,319 96
St. Marys, Town of	4½	4.80	8,658 63	9,000 00
St. Thomas, City of	5	4¾	3,032 70	3,000 00
St. Thomas, City of	5	4¾	2,021 80	2,000 00
Saltfleet, Township of ...	5	4¾	4,119 22	4,000 00
Sault Ste. Marie Town....	5	4¾	1,862 64	1,800 00
Seaforth, Town of	5	4¾	4,105 56	4,000 00
Strathroy, Town of	5	5¾	931 36	980 69
Shuniah, Municipality ...	5	4¾	1,015 90	1,000 00
Walkerville, Town of ...	4½	4¾	3,516 34	3,581 16
Woodstock, City of	4½	4.05	4,240 00	4,000 00
Windsor, City of	4	4½	3,867 97	4,083 89
Hamilton Masonic Hall Association Stock		6	100 00	100 00
Toronto General Trusts Corporation Guarantee Agreement	4¾	4¾	5,000 00	5,000 00
			\$ 99,886 00	\$ 100,451 24
Balance in Canadian Bank of Commerce May 31st, 1913			\$ 2,185 76	
Less outstanding cheques			815 00	
				\$ 1,370 76
				\$ 101,822 00

E. T. MALONE,
Grand Treasurer.HARRY VIGEON,
Chartered Accountant.

19th June, 1913.

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in
the Province of Ontario:

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

I beg leave to present my annual report, containing an account of all moneys received by me, and paid to the Grand Treasurer, during the year ending 31st of May, 1913, and including the following statements. viz:

A Summary of Receipts from various sources on General Account; Details of Receipts on General Account; Details of Payments thereof to the Grand Treasurer; a Summary of Expenditure for the year; Details of the Returns of Lodges as at the 24th June, 1913, and Details of the Ledger Balances as at the 31st May, 1913; a Summary of Receipts and Payments to the Grand Treasurer on Account of the Semi-Centennial Benevolent Fund; a Statement of the amount contributed to the Fund by Lodges, and from other sources, showing the details of receipts on Capital Account for the year; a Statement of the aggregate contributions from each Lodge from the Commencement of the Fund to the date of this Annual Communication, and the quota of each Lodge (arranged by districts); and a Statement of the Receipts and Disbursements for the year on the S. C. B. Fund Revenue Account. Also a record of dispensations issued, by-laws and amendments thereto approved, and other official acts of the M. W. the Grand Master.

GENERAL ACCOUNT

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Year Ended May 31st, 1913.

Fees, registration of initiations	\$ 10,775 00
Fees, registration of affiliations	322 50
Dues	24,342 00
Certificates	148 00
Constitutions and Ceremonies	1,046 75

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA

Dispensations	681 00
Commutation of Dues	1,310 00
Warrants	60 00
Miscellaneous	777 70
Ballot Boxes	103 50

\$ 39,566.45

Interest on Debentures and Bank Account:

Landed Banking & Loan Co.	\$ 450 00
Toronto General Trusts Corporation	508 74
Town of Berlin	273 50
Town of Berlin	276 15
City of Brandon	600 00
City of Brantford	320 00
Town of Brockville	343 62
City of Hamilton	120 00
Town of Kincardine	25 00
City of New Westminster	500 00
County of Oxford	75 48
City of Peterborough	230 46
City of Port Arthur	50 00
City of St Thomas	485 95
City of St. Thomas	267 56
City of Stratford	45 00
City of Strathcona	225 82
City of Toronto	170 32
Bank Account	162 54

\$ 5,130 14

Total Revenue, General Account\$ 44,696 59

Debentures matured and paid:

Town of Berlin	671 80
Town of Brockville	392 20

\$ 1,064 00

\$ 45,760 59

GENERAL ACCOUNT

PAYMENTS TO THE GRAND TREASURER

1912		
June	12 deposit	\$ 372 22
	22 "	288 73
	29 "	1,312 48
July	2 deposit	\$ 2,168 46
	5 "	2,759 85
	6 "	2,393 50
	9 "	2,767 50
	10 "	1,335 60
	13 "	1,810 76
	22 "	2,499 15
	31 "	610 40
Aug.	29 deposit	\$ 1,061 15
	31 "	67 75
Sept.	7 deposit	\$ 924 57

Sept. 16	“	593	10
30	“	518	25
Oct. 16	deposit	539	90
31	“	400	30
Nov. 1	deposit	225	00
16	“	524	75
30	“	85	55
30	“	1,109	85
Dec. 6	deposit	\$ 254	37
14	“	181	55
31	“	1,654	03
1913			
Jan. 2	deposit	\$ 2,112	91
4	“	1,340	10
6	“	1,124	25
9	“	1,636	45
16	“	1,810	76
22	“	1,048	20
25	“	1,422	80
31	“	1,228	90
Feb. 6	deposit	\$ 623	00
14	“	849	50
21	“	1,066	75
28	“	618	75
Mar. 8	deposit	\$ 392	00
20	“	776	65
31	“	412	10
April 1	deposit	\$ 703	71
12	“	635	50
25	“	467	75
30	“	88	50
May 2	deposit	\$ 291	85
19	“	350	15
31	“	76	99
31	“	224	25

\$ 45,760 59

ABSTRACT OF EXPENDITURE

Year Ended May 31st., 1913.

E. T. Malone, Grand Treasurer, salary to March 31st 1913	\$ 200 00
R. L. Gunn, Grand Secretary, Salary to March 31st 1913	3,000 00
H. Vigeon, Auditor's salary to March 31st, 1913	300 00
J. P. Muir, superannuation to May 31st, 1913	800 00
Thomas Pedler, clerk, salary to May 31st 1913	1,000 00
J. Place, stenographer, salary to May 31st, 1913	720 00
F. J. Brown, clerk, salary to May 31st, 1913	655 00
Incidental expenses, Grand Secretary's office	650 00
Printing and Stationery	1,708 82
Certificates and Warrants	955 10
Telephone service	60 55
Insurance on furniture, books, regalia and bond of Grand Secretary	85 10
Safety deposit box rental, Toronto General Trusts Corporation	68 60

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA

Office rent, Hamilton Masonic Hall Association	460 00
Office heating	105 00
Office vertical filing sections	26 00
Portraits	4 25
Repairs to regalia	9 36
Postage on Proceedings	207 00
Postage of chairmen of committees	30 00
Expenses of Grand Lodge and Board of General Pur- purses at Toronto	1,245 95
Expenses of delegations and ceremonies	44 20
Masonic Relief Association, membership fee	253 60
Inspection of Benevolent grants	1,000 00
A. T. Freed, Chairman of Committee on Foreign Correspondence	250 00
Floral design	25 00
Travelling expenses, M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, Grand Master	1,000 00
Stenographer for Grand Master	100 00
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	\$ 14,963 53
Grants for Benevolence	29,108 00
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	\$ 44,071 53

*Abstract of Receipts of Grand Lodge on General Account
Year ending May 31st, 1913.*

2	Niagara, Niagara	\$ 61 75
3	Ancient St. John's, Kingston	150 00
5	Sussex, Brockville	191 30
6	Barton, Hamilton	370 50
7	Union, Grimsby	116 25
9	Union, Napanee	112 75
10	Norfolk, Simcoe	75 00
11	Moir, Belleville	246 75
14	True Britons, Perth	47 50
15	St. George's, St. Catharines	104 60
16	St. Andrew's, Toronto	354 50
17	St. John's, Cobourg	47 25
18	Prince Edward, Picton	141 50
20	St. John's London	169 25
21a	St. John's, Vankleek Hill	43 50
22	King Solomon's, Toronto	230 00
23	Richmond, Richmond Hill	34 50
24	St. Francis, Smith's Falls	158 50
25	Ionic, Toronto	119 50
26	Ontario, Port Hope	108 25
27	Strict Observance, Hamilton	243 25
28	Mount Zion, Kemptville	68 75
29	United, Brighton	52 75
30	Composite, Whitby	48 50
31	Jerusalem, Bowmanville	88 00
32	Amity, Dunnville,	96 50
33	Maitland, Goderich	109 25
34	Thistle, Amherstburg	79 75
35	St. John's, Cayuga	55 50
37	King Hiram, Ingersoll	95 00
38	Trent, Trenton	99 25
39	Mount Zion, Brooklin	39 25
40	St. John's, Hamilton	318 75
41	St. George's, Kingsville	117 25
42	St. George's, London	111 00
43	King Solomon's, Woodstock	271 50
44	St. Thomas, St. Thomas	244 25
45	Brant, Brantford	233 85
46	Wellington, Chatham	158 60
47	Great Western, Windsor	364 60
48	Madoc, Madoc	92 50
50	Consecon, Consecon	43 50
52	Dalhousie, Ottawa	211 75
54	Vaughan, Maple	27 75
55	Merrickville, Merrickville	66 50
56	Victoria, Sarnia	147 75
57	Harmonv, Binbrook	74 75
58	Doric, Ottawa	124 50
61	Acacia, Hamilton	351 50
62	St. Andrew's, Caledonia	56 25

63	St. John's, Carleton Place	152 05
64	Kilwinning, London	151 00
65	Rehoboam, Toronto	270 50
66	Durham, Newcastle	23 50
68	St. John's, Ingersoll	62 75
69	Stirling, Stirling	79 50
72	Alma, Galt	121 50
73	St. James', St. Mary's	70 00
74	St. James', South Augusta	68 00
75	St. John's, Toronto	168 25
76	Oxford, Woodstock	152 75
77	Faithful Brethren, Lindsay	231 75
78	King Hiram, Tillsonburg	122 50
79	Simcoe, Bradford	58 25
81	St. John's, Mount Brydges	51 50
82	St. John's, Paris	77 75
83	Beaver, Strathroy	89 50
84	Clinton, Clinton	58 00
85	Rising Sun, Athens	61 00
86	Wilson, Toronto	225 75
87	Markham Union, Markham	70 00
88	St. George's, Owen Sound	114 50
90	Manito, Collingwood	2 00
91	Colborne, Colborne	75 75
92	Cataraqui, Kingston	207 75
93	Northern Light, Kincardine	74 00
94	St. Mark's, Port Stanley	31 75
96	Corinthian, Barrie	142 25
97	Sharon, Queensville	61 00
98	True Blue, Bolton	35 75
99	Tuscan, Newmarket	35 50
100	Valley, Dundas	149 25
101	Corinthian, Peterborough	111 50
103	Maple Leaf, St. Catharines	159 00
104	St. John's, Norwich	75 00
105	St. Mark's, Niagara Falls	138 25
106	Burford, Burford	36 00
107	St. Paul's Lambeth	78 00
108	Blenheim, Princeton	33 50
109	Albion, Harrowsmith	66 25
110	Central, Prescott	122 50
113	Wilson, Waterford	89 75
114	Hope, Port Hope	127 25
115	Ivy, Beamsville	82 00
116	Cassia, Thedford	31 75
118	Union, Schomberg	30 00
119	Maple Leaf, Bath	46 75
120	Warren, Fingal	13 25
121	Doric, Brantford	376 75
122	Renfrew, Renfrew	79 50
123	Belleville, Belleville	217 00
125	Cornwall, Cornwall	73 25
126	Golden Rule, Campbellford	67 50
127	Franck, Frankford	102 00
128	Pembroke, Pembroke	140 25
129	Rising Sun, Aurora	42 25

131	St. Lawrence, Southampton	57	55
133	Lebanon Forest, Exeter	54	25
135	St. Clair, Milton	86	15
136	Richardson, Stouffville	31	50
137	Pythagoras, Meaford	106	25
139	Lebanon, Oshawa	97	25
140	Malahide Aylmer	82	75
141	Tudor, Mitchell	39	50
142	Excelsior, Morrisburg	67	00
143	Friendly Brothers, Iroquis	51	25
144	Tecumseh, Stratford	221	25
145	J. B. Hall, Millbrook	45	50
146	Prince of Wales, Newburgh	43	50
147	Mississippi, Almonte	55	25
148	Civil Service, Ottawa	161	00
149	Erie, Port Dover	79	75
151	Grand River, Berlin	137	80
153	Burns, Wyoming	73	50
154	Irving, Lucan	64	00
155	Peterborough, Peterborough	148	00
156	York, Toronto	162	50
157	Simpson, Newboro	50	25
158	Alexandra, Oil Springs	73	25
159	Goodwood, Richmond	73	75
161	Percy, Warkworth	51	75
162	Forest, Wroxeter	30	00
164	Star in the East, Wellington	79	75
165	Burlington, Burlington	114	50
166	Wentworth, Stoney Creek	79	25
168	Merritt, Welland	69	00
169	Macnab, Port Colborne	100	50
170	Britannia, Seaforth	63	75
171	Prince of Wales, Lawrence Station	68	75
172	Ayr, Ayr	34	75
174	Walsingham, Port Rowan	63	00
177	The Builders, Ottawa	146	75
178	Plattsville, Plattsville	66	25
180	Speed, Guelph	99	75
181	Oriental, Port Burwell	29	75
184	Old Light, Lucknow	58	75
185	Enniskillen, York	22	50
186	Plantagenet, Plantagenet	67	35
190	Belmont, Belmont	64	75
192	Orillia, Orillia	157	75
193	Scotland, Scotland	54	25
194	Petrolia, Petrolia	105	00
195	Tuscan, London	102	25
196	Madawaska, Arnprior	80	50
197	Saugeen, Walkerton	41	50
200	St. Alban's, Mount Forest	54	25
201	Leeds, Gananoque	154	20
203	Irvine, Elora	62	25
205	New Dominion, New Hamburg	20	75
207	Lancaster, Lancaster	90	25
209a	St. John's, London	242	50
209	Evergreen, Lanark	21	50

212	Elysian, Garden Island	9 25
215	Lake, Ameliasburg	55 25
216	Harris, Orangeville	225 00
217	Frederick, Delhi	40 00
218	Stevenson, Toronto	143 75
219	Credit, Georgetown	68 50
220	Zeredatha, Uxbridge	49 50
221	Mountain, Thorold	97 80
222	Marmora, Marmora	80 00
223	Norwood, Norwood	71 75
224	Zurich, Hensall	47 00
225	Bernard, Listowel	60 50
228	Prince Arthur, Odessa	63 00
229	Ionie, Brampton	96 25
230	Kerr, Barrie	184 50
231	Fidelity, Ottawa	148 50
232	Cameron, Dutton	22 05
233	Doric, Parkhill	46 75
234	Beaver, Clarksburg	44 50
235	Aldworth, Paisley	107 75
236	Manitoba, Cookstown	53 25
237	Vienna, Vienna	41 25
238	Havelock, Watford	37 75
239	Tweed, Tweed	103 25
242	Macoy, Mallorytown	61 50
243	St. George, St. George	46 25
245	Tecumseh, Thamesville	46 50
247	Ashlar, Toronto	223 50
249	Caledonia, Midland	157 00
250	Thistle, Embro	20 00
253	Minden, Kingston	135 75
254	Clifton, Niagara Falls	144 00
255	Sydenham, Dresden	118 25
256	Farran's Point, Aultsville	45 75
257	Galt, Galt	125 75
258	Guelph, Guelph	89 00
259	Springfield, Springfield	67 00
260	Washington, Petrolia	82 75
261	Oak Branch, Innerkip	32 00
262	Harriston, Harriston	56 25
263	Forest, Forest	59 75
264	Chaudiere, Ottawa	164 50
265	Patterson, Thornhill	81 50
266	Northern Light, Stayner	31 50
267	Parthenon, Chatham	153 75
268	Verulam, Bobcaygeon	46 00
269	Brougham Union, Claremont	43 00
270	Cedar, Oshawa	92 00
271	Wellington, Erin	49 00
272	Seymour, Ancaster	82 75
274	Kent, Blenheim	92 60
276	Teeswater, Teeswater	43 60
277	Seymour, Port Dalhousie	49 25
279	New Hope, Hespeler	65 75
282	Lorne, Glencoe	74 75

283	Eureka, Belleville	190 00
284	St. John's, Brussels,	59 75
285	Seven Star, Alliston	63 75
286	Wingham, Wingham	87 75
287	Shuniah, Port Arthur	203 35
289	Doric, Lobo	51 00
290	Leamington, Leamington	104 30
291	Dufferin, West Flamboro	71 25
292	Robertson, King	25 00
294	Moore, Courtright	49 75
295	Conestogo, Drayton	37 75
296	Temple, St. Catharines	83 50
297	Preston, Preston	50 75
299	Victoria, Centreville	39 00
300	Mount Olivet, Thorndale	69 55
302	St. David's, St. Thomas	247 75
303	Blyth, Blyth	1 00
304	Minerva, Stroud	50 50
305	Humber, Weston	84 70
306	Durham, Durham	35 75
307	Arkona, Arkona	36 75
309	Morning Star, Carlow	35 75
311	Blackwood, Woodbridge	45 50
312	Pnyx, Wallaceburg	87 25
313	Clementi, Lakefield	65 70
314	Blair, Palmerston	55 10
315	Clifford, Clifford	21 00
316	Doric, Toronto	236 75
318	Wilmot, Baden	14 00
319	Hiram, Hagersville	74 50
320	Chesterville, Chesterville	64 25
321	Walker, Acton,	54 75
322	North Star, Owen Sound	100 50
323	Alvinston, Alvinston	47 50
324	Temple, Hamilton	247 25
325	Orono, Orono	31 50
326	Zetland, Toronto	279 25
327	Hammond, Wardsville	39 20
328	Ionic, Napier	35 75
329	King Solomon, Jarvis	52 50
330	Corinthian, London	161 25
331	Fordwich, Fordwich	46 60
332	Stratford, Stratford	200 00
333	Prince Arthur, Flesherton	41 50
334	Prince Arthur, Arthur	52 50
336	Highgate, Highgate	64 50
337	Myrtle, Port Robinson	41 50
338	Dufferin, Wellandport	91 10
339	Orient, Toronto	227 25
341	Bruce, Tiverton	
343	Georgina, Toronto	239 00
344	Merrill, Dorchester Station	24 85
345	Nilestown, Nilestown	27 75
346	Occident, Toronto	271 50
347	Mercer, Fergus	51 25

348	Georgian, Penetanguishene	76 50
352	Granite, Parry Sound	118 75
354	Brock, Cannington	35 75
356	River Park, Streetsville	61 00
357	Waterdown, Millgrove	103 20
358	Delaware Valley, Delaware	
359	Vittoria, Vittoria	33 25
360	Muskoka, Bracebridge	52 00
361	Waverly, Guelph	252 00
362	Maple Leaf, Tara	39 35
364	Dufferin, Melbourne	62 00
367	St. George, Toronto	283 25
368	Salem, Brockville	117 25
369	Mimico, Lambton Mills	76 00
370	Harmony, Delta	58 00
371	Prince of Wales, Ottawa	150 75
372	Palmer, Bridgeburg	84 00
373	Copestone, Welland	121 00
374	Keene, Keene	25 75
375	Lorne, Omemee	40 25
376	Unity, Huntsville	70 75
377	Lorne, Shelbourne	68 25
378	King Solomon's, London	159 75
379	Middlesex, Bryanston	31 25
380	Union, London	222 10
382	Doric, Hamilton	259 00
383	Henderson, Winchester	62 00
384	Alpha, Toronto	319 25
385	Spry, Beeton	55 75
386	McColl, West Lorne	52 50
387	Lansdowne, Lansdowne	30 50
388	Henderson, Ilderton	44 75
389	Crystal Fountain, N. Augusta	39 00
390	Florence, Florence	42 75
391	Howard, Ridgetown	77 25
392	Huron, Camlachie	36 50
393	Forest, Chesley	46 25
394	King Solomon, Thamesford	72 00
395	Parvaim, Comber	37 25
396	Cedar, Wiarton	80 25
397	Leopold, Brigden	56 25
398	Victoria, Kirkfield	33 00
399	Moffat, Harrietsville	32 75
400	Oakville, Oakville	107 75
401	Craig, Deseronto	32 50
402	Central, Essex	66 75
403	Windsor, Windsor	273 00
404	Lorne, Tamworth	49 00
405	Mattawa, Mattawa	67 25
406	Spry, Fenelon Falls	58 20
408	Murray, Beaverton	75 00
409	Golden Rule, Gravenhurst	54 50
410	Zeta, Toronto	248 25
411	Rodney, Rodney	32 00
412	Keystone, Sault Ste. Marie	251 55

413	Naphtali, Tilbury	55 50
414	Pequonga, Kenora	103 75
415	Fort William, Fort William	197 75
416	Lyn, Lyn	21 50
417	Keewatin, Keewatin	65 25
418	Maxville, Maxville	62 50
419	Bismarck, Sarnia	42 25
420	Nipissing, North Bay	156 75
421	Scott, Grand Valley	54 25
422	Star of the East, Bothwell	61 25
423	Strong, Sundridge	47 25
424	Doric, Pickering	30 50
425	St. Clair, Sombra	43 25
426	Stanley, Toronto	231 00
427	Nickel, Sudbury	167 75
428	Fidelity, Port Perry	72 50
429	Port Elgin, Port Elgin	18 75
430	Acacia, Toronto	118 00
431	Moravian, Cargill	36 25
432	Hanover, Hanover	42 00
433	Bonnechere, Eganville	30 80
434	Algonquin, Emsdale	76 50
435	Havelock, Havelock	106 50
436	Burns, Hepworth	8 25
437	Tuscan, Sarnia	178 80
438	Harmony, Toronto	289 25
439	Alexandria, Alexandria	45 00
440	Arcadia, Minden	55 50
441	Wesport, Westport	75 75
442	Dyment, Thessalon	86 50
443	Powassan, Powassan	65 75
444	Nitetis, Creemore	67 50
445	Lake of the Woods, Kenora	31 50
446	Granite, Fort Frances	59 75
447	Sturgeon Falls, Sturgeon Falls	50 00
448	Xenophen, Wheatley	38 75
449	Dundalk, Dundalk	32 50
450	Hawkesbury, Hawkesbury	68 00
451	Somerville, Kinmount	29 25
452	Avonmore, Avonmore	89 50
453	Royal, Fort William	48 50
454	Corona, Burk's Falls	51 50
455	Doric, Little Current	63 00
456	Elma, Monton	37 75
457	Century, Merlin	1 00
458	Wales, Wales	67 25
459	Cobden, Cobden	86 25
460	Rideau, Seeley's Bay	50 00
461	Ionic, Rainy River	62 00
462	Temiscaming, New Liskeard	134 50
463	North Entrance, Haliburton	20 25
464	King Edward, Sunderland	35 50
465	Carlton, Carp	56 00
466	Coronation, Elmvale	36 25
467	Tottenham, Tottenham	

468	Peel, Caledon East	72 50
469	Algoma, Sault Ste. Marie	165 50
470	Victoria, Victoria Harbor	59 75
471	King Edward VII., Chippawa	42 00
472	Gore Bay, Gore Bay	45 70
473	The Beaches, Toronto	164 85
474	Victoria, Toronto	146 25
475	Dundurn, Hamilton	137 50
476	Corinthian, North Gower	48 25
477	Harding, Woodville	26 00
478	Milverton, Milverton	84 75
479	Russell, Russel	76 75
480	Williamsburg, Williamsburg	46 25
481	Corinthian, Toronto	104 50
482	Bancroft, Bancroft	71 00
483	Granton, Granton	50 75
484	Golden Star, Dryden	46 75
485	Haileybury, Haileybury	137 75
486	Silver, Cobalt	150 00
487	Penewobikong, Blind River	52 00
488	King Edward, Harrow	40 00
489	Osiris, Smith's Falls	65 25
490	Hiram, Markdale	43 00
491	Cardinal, Cardinal	39 50
492	Karnak, Coldwater	70 75
493	St. Marys, St. Marys	35 50
494	Riverdale, Toronto	192 25
495	Electric, Hamilton	164 00
496	University, Toronto	107 00
497	St. Andrew's, Arden	20 75
498	King George V., Cobecconk	25 85
499	Port Arthur, Port Arthur	189 25
500	Rose, Windsor	56 00
501	Connaught, Mimico	126 30
502	Coronation, Smithville	67 65
	U.D. Inwood, Inwood	69 25
	U.D. Otter, Lombardy	51 00
	U.D. Lynden, Lynden	67 00
	U.D. Porcupine, Porcupine	67 00
	U.D. Elk Lake, Elk Lake	57 00
	U.D. Ozias, Brantford	28 00
	U.D. Twin City, Berlin	25 00
	U.D. Connaught, West Fort William	20 00
	U.D. Malone, Sutton	20 00
	U.D. Parkdale, Toronto	25 10
	U.D. Corinthian, Hamilton	21 50
Total receipts from Lodges		\$ 38,740 75
Sundries		825 70
Interest		5,130 14
Debentures redeemed		1,064 00
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		\$45,760 59

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND

Year Ended May 31st., 1913

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS ON CAPITAL ACCOUNT

Contributions from Lodges, per detailed statement annexed	\$ 4,182 95
Debentures matured, Town of Berlin	647 51
Debentures, matured, City of Toronto	5,000 00
Debenture matured, Town of East Toronto	518 67

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS ON REVENUE ACCOUNT

Interest on investments and bank account, per detailed statement annexed	4,741 66
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	\$ 15,090 79

PAYMENTS TO GRAND TREASURER

1912			
June	12	Deposit	\$ 245 12
	17	“	865 43
	29	“	765 72
July	2	Deposit	5,280 00
	13	“	577 20
	31	“	205 00
Aug.	31	Deposit	1,064 97
Sept.	30	Deposit	101 70
Oct.	31	Deposit	57 00
Nov.	2	Deposit	152 50
	30	“	38 69
	30	“	520 28
Dec.	6	Deposit	782 23
	14	“	244 45
	31	“	510 17
1913			
Jan.	2	Deposit	317 50
	6	“	215 00
	16	“	195 05
	31	“	241 50
Feb.	22	Deposit	263 00
	26	“	4 00
Mar.	4	Deposit	81 67
	31	“	97 00
Apr.	11	Deposit	168 00
	25	“	384 75
	30	“	130 90
May	2	Deposit	807 50
	19	“	269 00
	31	“	46 06
	31	“	459 40

\$ 15,090 79

GRAND LODGE A. F. & . A. M. OF CANADA IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

Abstract of Receipts of Grand Lodge from contributors
to Semi-Centennial Benevolent Fund Capital Account
for year Ended May 31st., 1913

No.	Name	Location	Amount
14	True Britons	Perth	\$ 3 00
* 17	St. John's	Cobourg	39 00
21a	St. John's	Vankleek Hill	11 00
* 28	Mount Zion	Kemptville	24 00
* 41	St. George's	Kingsville	105 50
55	Merrickville	Merrickville	9 00
64	Kilwinning	London	19 00
* 69	Stirling	Stirling	30 00
75	St. John's	Toronto	39 20
77	Faithful Brethren	Lindsay	27 00
* 84	Clinton	Clinton	71 00
* 90	Manito	Collingwood	63 00
106	Burford	Burford	9 00
110	Central	Prescott	3 00
* 115	Ivy	Beamsville	104 75
* 116	Cassia	Thedford	11 50
* 120	Warren	Fingal	50
126	Golden Rule	Campbellford	18 00
* 135	St. Clair	Milton	132 00
* 153	Burns	Wyoming	173 00
* 154	Irving	Lucan	111 50
158	Alexandra	Oil Springs	12 00
170	Britannia	Seaforth	22 50
* 171	Prince of Wales	Lawrence Sta.	50
174	Walsingham	Port Rowan	5 00
* 181	Oriental	Port Burwell	48 00
185	Enniskillen	York	20 00
* 190	Belmont	Belmont	18 00
* 194	Petrolia	Petrolia	78 00
205	New Dominion	New Hamburg	3 00
207	Lancaster	Lancaster	57 00
217	Frederick	Delhi	3 00
218	Stevenson	Toronto	6 00
* 230	Kerr	Barrie	252 00
* 233	Doric	Parkhill	53 00
* 235	Aldworth	Paisley	50 00
* 250	Thistle	Embro	33 00
256	Farran's Point	Aultsville	106 00
259	Springfield	Springfield	9 00
* 262	Harriston	Harriston	174 00
* 270	Wellington	Erin	105 40
274	Kent	Blenheim	45 00
285	Seven Star	Alliston	25 00
* 290	Leamington	Leamington	160 15
291	Dufferin	W. Flamboro	4 00
302	St. David's	St. Thomas	58 00
* 309	Morning Star	Carlow	125 00
320	Chesterville	Chesterville	28 00
323	Alvinston	Alvinston	21 00

No.	Name	Location	Amount
330	Corinthian	London	41 00
* 336	Highgate	Highgate	130 00
358	Delaware Valley	Delaware	21 00
368	Salem	Brockville	18 50
379	Middlesex	Bryanston	33 00
380	Union	London	48 00
* 383	Henderson	Winchester	101 00
384	Alpha	Toronto	50 00
* 386	McColl	West Lorne	67 75
* 392	Huron	Camlachie	68 50
* 394	King Solomon's	Thamesford	57 00
396	Cedar	Warton	73 20
* 398	Victoria	Kirkfield	41 95
410	Zeta	Toronto	200 00
411	Rodney	Rodney	13 00
* 413	Naphtali	Tilbury	162 50
* 415	Fort William	Fort William	62 05
* 422	Star of the East	Bothwell	111 00
425	St. Clair	Sombra	29 00
* 443	Powassan	Powassan	42 00
* 444	Nitetis	Creemore	66 00
* 448	Xenophon	Wheatley	100 00
* 452	Avonmore	Avonmore	44 00
477	Harding	Woodville	6 00
494	Riverdale	Toronto	45 00
Individual subscriptions			26 00
			<hr/> \$4,182 95

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND

Revenue Account, Year Ended May 31st., 1913.

RECEIPTS

Balance at credit May 31st., 1912	\$ 1,067 21
Interest on Investments:	
Toronto General Trusts Corporation	\$ 231 24
Berlin, Town of, Debentures	591 16
Brandon, City of, Debentures	200 00
Calgary, City of, Debentures	180 00
East Toronto, Town of, Debentures	81 76
Galt, Town of, Debentures	80 00
Ingersoll, Town of, Debentures	40 00
Kincairdine, Town of, Debentures	50 00
North Vancouver, District of, Debentures	135 00
Oakville, Town of, debentures	239 37
Oshawa, Town of, Debentures	237 24
Ottawa, City of, Debentures	80 00
Owen Sound, Town of, Debentures	145 00
Peterborough, City of, Debentures	361 34
St. Catharines, City of, Debentures	212 80
St. Marys, Town of, Debentures	405 00
St. Thomas, City of, Debentures	250 00
Saltfleet, Township of, Debentures	200 00
Sault Ste. Marie, Town of, Debentures	90 00
Seaforth, Town of, Debentures	200 00

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA

Shuniah, Municipality of, Debentures	50 00	
Toronto, City of, Debentures	87 50	
Walkerville, Town of, Debentures	161 15	
Windsor, City of, Debentures	163 35	
Woodstock, City of, Debentures	180 00	
Hamilton Masonic Hall Association, Dividend	5 00	
Canadian Bank of Commerce, Interest	84 75	
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		\$ 4,741 66
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		\$ 5,808 87

DISBURSEMENTS

Accrued interest on debentures at date of purchase.		
Durham, Town of	\$ 56 19	
St. Marys, Town of	68 88	
Strathroy, Town of	54	
Grants for benevolence	4,727 00	
Balance at credit 31st May 1913	956 26	
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		\$ 5,808 87

Hamilton, June 16th, 1913.



Grand Secretary,

I certify that the foregoing is a correct abstract, from the books of the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary, of the Receipts and Expenditure of the Grand Lodge for the year ending May 31st, 1913.

HARRY VIGEON,
Chartered Accountant.

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND**Statement of Contributions to July 17, 1913**

(Lodges marked with an asterisk have paid their full quota).

No.	Name of Lodge	Location	Quota	Paid
ERIE DISTRICT NO. 1				
* 34	Thistle	Amherstburg	\$ 192 00	\$ 192 00
* 41	St. George's	Kingsville	297 00	297 00
* 46	Wellington	Chatham	483 00	490 50
* 47	Great Western	Windsor	726 00	877 75
*245	Tecumseh	Thamesville	174 00	174 00
*255	Sydenham	Dresden	177 00	177 00
*267	Parthenon	Chatham	282 00	282 67
*274	Kent	Blenheim	198 00	198 00
*282	Lorne	Glencoe	165 00	165 00
*290	Leamington	Leamington	321 00	321 00
*312	Pnyx	Wallaceburg	258 00	258 00
*327	Hammond	Wardsville	66 00	66 00
*336	Highgate	Highgate	189 00	189 00
*386	McColl	West Lorne	186 00	186 00
*390	Florence	Florence	72 00	72 00
*391	Howard	Ridgetown	216 00	216 00
*395	Parvaim	Comber	138 00	138 00
*402	Central	Essex	171 00	171 00
*403	Windsor	Windsor	513 00	758 00
411	Rodney	Rodney	90 00	19 00
*413	Naphtali	Tilbury	180 00	180 00
*422	Star of the East	Bothwell	132 00	132 00
*448	Xenophon	Wheatley	141 00	141 00
*457	Century	Merlin	39 00	40 00
*488	King Edward VII.	Harrow .....	.....	.....
			<hr/> \$5,406 00	<hr/> \$5,740 92
ST. CLAIR DISTRICT NO. 2				
* 56	Victoria	Sarnia	\$ 537 00	\$ 592 00
* 81	St. John's	Mt. Brydges	177 00	177 00
83	Beaver	Strathroy	279 00	227 00
*116	Cassia	Thedford	111 00	111 00
*153	Burns	Wyoming	258 00	258 00
158	Alexandria	Oil Springs	183 00	60 50
*194	Petrolia	Petrolia	228 00	228 00
*238	Havelock	Watford	207 00	207 00
*260	Washington	Petrolia	258 00	258 00
*263	Forest	Forest	207 00	207 00
*294	Moore	Courtright	99 00	99 00
*307	Arkona	Arkona	111 00	111 00
323	Alvinston	Alvinston	180 00	122 75
*328	Ionic	Napier	69 00	69 00
364	Dufferin	Melbourne	78 00	14 00
*392	Huron	Camlachie	165 00	165 00
*397	Leopold	Brigden	189 00	189 00
419	Bismarck	Sarnia	261 00	71 00
425	St. Clair	Sombra	180 00	84 00
*437	Tuscan	Sarnia	303 00	303 00
			<hr/> \$4,080 00	<hr/> \$3,553 25

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued

Statement of Contributions to July 17, 1913.

No.	Name of Lodge	Location	Quota	Paid
LONDON DISTRICT NO. 3				
* 20	St. John's	London	438 00	446 47
* 42	St. George's	London	261 00	272 00
* 44	St. Thomas	St. Thomas	597 00	654 00
* 64	Kilwinning	London	552 00	552 00
* 94	St. Mark's	Port Stanley	132 00	159 20
* 107	St. Paul's	Lambeth	204 00	204 00
* 120	Warren	Fingal	150 00	150 00
* 140	Malahide	Aylmer	315 00	315 00
* 171	Pr. of Wales	Lawrence Station ..	141 00	141 00
* 190	Belmont	Belmont	132 00	132 00
* 195	Tuscan	London	228 00	240 00
* 209a	St. John's	London	732 00	733 00
* 232	Cameron	Dutton	183 00	183 00
* 289	Doric	Lobo	120 00	120 00
* 300	Mt. Olivet	Thorndale	96 00	96 00
302	St. David's	St. Thomas	555 00	490 00
330	Corinthian	London	324 00	289 00
* 344	Merrill	Dorchester	96 00	96 00
* 345	Nilestown	Nilestown	69 00	69 00
358	Delaware Valley	Delaware	105 00	25 50
* 378	King Solomon	London	297 00	297 00
379	Middlesex	Bryanston	90 00	48 00
380	Union	London	435 00	281 00
* 388	Henderson	Ilderton	111 00	111 00
* 394	King Solomon	Thamesford	195 00	195 00
* 399	Moffat	Harrietsville	63 00	63 00
			<u>\$6,621 00</u>	<u>\$6,362 17</u>
SOUTH HURON DISTRICT NO. 4				
* 33	Maitland	Goderich	381 00	381 00
73	St. James	St. Marys	231 00	225 00
* 84	Clinton	Clinton	204 00	212 50
* 133	Lebanon Forest	Exeter	249 00	249 00
* 141	Tudor	Mitchell	135 00	140 00
* 144	Tecumseh	Stratford	408 00	408 00
* 154	Irving	Lucan	231 00	231 00
* 170	Britannia	Seaforth	273 00	295 50
* 205	New Dominion	New Hamburg	108 00	111 00
* 224	Zurich	Hensall	174 00	174 00
* 233	Doric	Parkhill	150 00	150 00
* 303	Blyth	Blyth	168 00	168 00
* 309	Morning Star	Carlow	150 00	150 00
* 318	Wilmot	Baden	81 00	81 00
* 332	Stratford	Stratford	495 00	495 00
* 456	Elma	Monkton	96 00	96 00
* 478	Milverton	Milverton .....	.....	.....
* 483	Granton	Granton .....	.....	28 00
* 493	St. Marys	St. Marys .....	.....	75 00
			<u>\$3,534 00</u>	<u>\$3,670 00</u>

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued

Statement of Contributions to July 17, 1913.

No.	Name of Lodge	Location	Quota	Paid
NORTH HURON DISTRICT NO. 5				
* 93	Northern Light	Kincardine	258 00	258 00
*131	St. Lawrence	Southampton	195 00	195 00
162	Forest	Wroxeter	114 00	55 00
*184	Old Light	Lucknow	246 00	246 00
*197	Saugeen	Walkerton	165 00	165 00
*225	Bernard	Listowel	267 00	267 00
*235	Aldworth	Paisley	138 00	138 00
*276	Teeswater	Teeswater	78 00	78 00
*284	St. John's	Brussels	174 00	174 00
*286	Wingham	Wingham	246 00	246 00
*331	Fordwich	Fordwich	114 00	114 00
*341	Bruce	Tiverton	117 00	117 00
*362	Maple Leaf	Tara	150 00	150 00
*393	Forest	Chesley	111 00	111 00
396	Cedar	Warton	291 00	201 20
*429	Port Elgin	Port Elgin	150 00	150 00
*431	Moravian	Eden Grove	144 00	144 00
*432	Hanover	Hanover	141 00	141 00
436	Burns	Hepworth	105 00	35 00
			<hr/> \$3,204 00	<hr/> \$2,985 20
WILSON DISTRICT NO. 6				
* 10	Norfolk	Simcoe	330 00	335 00
* 37	King Hiram	Ingersoll	252 00	263 00
* 43	King Solomon	Woodstock	366 00	384 50
* 68	St. John's	Ingersoll	243 00	249 00
* 76	Oxford	Woodstock	405 00	405 00
* 78	King Hiram	Tillsonburg	399 00	399 00
* 82	St. John's	Paris	186 00	186 00
*104	St. John's	Norwich	231 00	266 00
106	Burford	Burford	213 00	75 00
*108	Blenheim	Princeton	87 00	87 00
*113	Wilson	Waterford	303 00	331 50
*149	Erie	Port Dover	171 00	171 00
*174	Walsingham	Port Rowan	168 00	180 00
*178	Plattsville	Plattsville	117 00	117 00
*181	Oriental	Port Burwell	99 00	99 00
*193	Scotland	Scotland	195 00	195 00
217	Frederick	Delhi	186 00	58 50
*237	Vienna	Vienna	165 00	165 00
*250	Thistle	Embro	78 00	78 00
*259	Springfield	Springfield	54 00	184 00
*261	Oak Branch	Innerkip	75 00	75 00
*359	Vittoria	Vittoria	123 00	123 00
			<hr/> \$4,446 00	<hr/> \$4,426 50

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued

Statement of Contributions to July 17, 1913.

No.	Name of Lodge	Location	Quota	Paid
WELLINGTON DISTRICT NO. 7				
* 72	Alma	Galt	363 00	363 00
* 151	Grand River	Berlin	381 00	381 00
* 172	Ayr	Ayr	75 00	75 00
* 180	Speed	Guelph	219 00	219 60
* 200	St. Alban's	Mt. Forest	186 00	186 00
* 203	Irvine	Elora	159 00	159 00
* 216	Harris	Orangeville	426 00	426 00
* 257	Galt	Galt	360 00	361 00
* 258	Guelph	Guelph	258 00	261 00
* 262	Harriston	Harriston	261 00	261 00
* 271	Wellington	Erin	144 00	144 90
* 279	New Hope	Hespeler	168 00	168 00
* 295	Conestogo	Drayton	144 00	144 00
* 297	Preston	Preston	135 00	148 00
* 306	Durham	Durham	147 00	174 00
* 314	Blair	Palmerston	159 00	159 00
* 315	Clifford	Clifford	84 00	84 00
* 334	Prince Arthur	Arthur	150 00	150 00
* 347	Mercer	Fergus	156 00	156 00
* 361	Waverley	Guelph	390 00	404 00
* 421	Scott	Grand Valley	246 00	246 00
* 509	Twin City	Berlin .....	.....	.....
			\$4,611 00	\$4,670 50
HAMILTON DISTRICT NO. 8				
* 6	Barton	Hamilton	924 00	1,105 80
* 27	Strict Observance	Hamilton	1,023 00	1,041 15
* 40	St. John's	Hamilton	1,143 00	1,201 00
* 45	Brant	Brantford	531 00	531 37
* 57	Harmony	Binbrook	168 00	168 00
* 61	Acacia	Hamilton	939 00	1,120 05
* 62	St. Andrew's	Caledonia	138 00	155 00
* 100	Valley	Dundas	294 00	326 00
* 121	Doric	Brantford	735 00	1,027 00
* 135	St. Clair	Milton	228 00	228 00
* 165	Burlington	Burlington	243 00	243 00
* 166	Wentworth	Stoney Creek	303 00	303 00
* 219	Credit	Georgetown	252 00	252 00
* 243	St. George	St. George	183 00	183 00
* 272	Seymour	Ancaster	234 00	234 00
* 291	Dufferin	W. Flamboro'	207 00	211 00
* 321	Walker	Acton	150 00	150 00
* 324	Temple	Hamilton	906 00	906 00
* 357	Waterdown	Millgrove	228 00	228 00
* 382	Doric	Hamilton	666 00	666 00
* 400	Oakville	Oakville	357 00	357 00
* 475	Dundurn	Hamilton .....	.....	100 00
* 495	Electric	Hamilton .....	.....	.....
* 505	Lynden	Lynden .....	.....	.....
* 508	Ozias	Brantford .....	.....	.....
* UD	Corinthian	Hamilton .....	.....	.....
* UD	Reba	Brantford .....	.....	.....
			\$9,852 00	\$10,736 37

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued

Statement of Contributions to July 17, 1913.

No.	Name of Lodge	Location	Quota	Paid
GEORGIAN DISTRICT NO. 9				
79	Simcoe	Bradford	201 00	29 00
* 90	Manito	Collingwood	465 00	465 00
* 96	Corinthian	Barrie	510 00	510 00
* 137	Pythagoras	Meaford	273 00	279 00
* 192	Orillia	Orillia	405 00	405 00
* 230	Kerr	Barrie	309 00	309 00
* 234	Beaver	Clarksburg	198 00	198 00
* 249	Caledonian	Midland	369 00	369 00
* 266	Northern Light	Stayner	60 00	67 00
* 304	Minerva	Stroud	135 00	135 00
* 348	Georgian	Penetanguishene ...	129 00	129 00
* 466	Coronation	Elmvale	81 00	106 00
* 470	Victoria	Victoria Harbour ...	42 00	106 00
* 492	Karnak	Coldwater .....	.....	.....
			<u>\$3,177 00</u>	<u>\$3,107 00</u>
GEORGIAN DISTRICT NO. 9A				
* 88	St. George's	Owen Sound	405 00	405 00
* 236	Manitoba	Cookstown	150 00	154 00
285	Seven Star	Alliston	189 00	55 00
* 322	North Star	Owen Sound	357 00	363 00
* 333	Prince Arthur	Flesherton	156 00	246 00
* 377	Lorne	Shelbourne	189 00	189 00
* 385	Spry	Beeton	177 00	177 00
* 444	Nitetis	Creemore	141 00	141 00
* 449	Dundalk	Dundalk	84 00	84 00
467	Tottenham	Tottenham	39 00	15 00
* 490	Hiram	Markdale .....	.....	.....
			<u>\$1,887 00</u>	<u>\$1,829 00</u>
NIAGARA DISTRICT NO. 10				
* 2	Niagara	Niagara	195 00	195 00
* 7	Union	Grimsby	222 00	222 00
* 15	St. George's	St. Catharines	312 00	312 00
* 32	Amity	Dunnville	282 00	282 00
* 35	St. John's	Cayuga	186 00	186 00
* 103	Maple Leaf	St. Catharines	423 00	423 00
* 105	St. Mark's	Niagara Falls	258 00	267 75
* 115	Ivy	Beamsville	267 00	267 00
* 168	Merritt	Welland	246 00	246 00
* 169	Macnab	Port Colborne	183 00	183 00
185	Enniskillen	York	87 00	53 00
* 221	Mountain	Thorold	249 00	262 00
* 254	Clifton	Niagara Falls	384 00	384 00
* 277	Seymour	Pt. Dalhousie	129 00	129 00
* 296	Temple	St. Catharines	174 00	174 00
* 319	Hiram	Hagersville	108 00	108 00
* 329	King Solomon	Jarvis	162 00	162 00
* 337	Myrtle	Port Robinson	84 00	84 00
* 338	Dufferin	Wellandport	144 00	146 25
* 372	Palmer	Bridgeburg	225 00	228 00
* 373	Copestone	Welland	186 00	186 00
* 471	King Edward VII	Chippawa .....	.....	106 00
			<u>\$4,506 00</u>	<u>\$4,606 00</u>

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued

Statement of Contributions to July 17, 1913.

No.	Name of Lodge	Location	Quota	Paid
TORONTO WEST DISTRICT NO. 11				
* 22	King Solomon's	Toronto	693 00	693 00
* 54	Vaughan	Maple	114 00	114 00
* 65	Rehoboam	Toronto	819 00	841 00
* 86	Wilson	Toronto	603 00	660 00
* 98	True Blue	Bolton	183 00	183 00
* 118	Union	Schomberg	57 00	90 00
* 156	York	Toronto	291 00	291 00
* 229	Ionic	Brampton	228 00	228 00
* 247	Ashlar	Toronto	831 00	1,041 00
* 265	Patterson	Thornhill	132 00	132 00
* 292	Robertson	King	117 00	117 00
* 305	Humber	Weston	183 00	197 00
* 311	Blackwood	Woodbridge	120 00	120 00
* 326	Zetland	Toronto	1,236 00	1,301 50
* 346	Occident	Toronto	594 00	605 05
* 356	River Park	Streetsville	117 00	117 00
* 369	Mimico	Lambton Mills	237 00	237 00
* 384	Alpha	Toronto	780 00	831 00
* 426	Stanley	Toronto	651 00	654 00
* 438	Harmony	Toronto	747 00	747 00
* 468	Peel	Caledon East	63 00	65 50
* 474	Victoria	Toronto .....	.....	182 00
* 481	Corinthian	Toronto	126 00	174 00
* 496	University	Toronto .....	.....	.....
* 501	Connaught	Mimico .....	.....	.....
* 510	Parkdale	Parkdale .....	.....	.....
* UD	St. Albans	Toronto .....	.....	.....
			<u>\$8,921 00</u>	<u>\$9,621 05</u>
TORONTO EAST DISTRICT NO. 11 A				
* 16	St. Andrew's	Toronto	930 00	935 60
* 23	Richmond	Richmond Hill	114 00	114 00
* 25	Ionic	Toronto	735 00	1,388 59
* 75	St. John's	Toronto	618 00	657 20
* 87	Markham U.	Markham	141 00	141 00
* 97	Sharon	Queensville	159 00	160 50
* 99	Tuscan	Newmarket	204 00	204 00
* 129	Rising Sun	Aurora	198 00	198 00
* 136	Richardson	Stouffville	159 00	159 00
* 218	Stevenson	Toronto	555 00	583 00
* 220	Zeredatha	Uxbridge	249 00	249 00
* 269	Brogham Union	Claremont	147 00	147 00
* 316	Doric	Toronto	786 00	810 03
* 339	Orient	Toronto	747 00	747 00
* 343	Georgina	Toronto	714 00	731 95
* 354	Brook	Cannington	186 00	190 00
* 367	St. George	Toronto	597 00	597 00
* 410	Zeta	Toronto	480 00	752 00
* 424	Doric	Pickering	114 00	114 00
* 430	Acacia	Toronto	342 00	342 00
* 473	The Beaches	Toronto .....	.....	100 00
* 494	Riverdale	Toronto .....	.....	114 00
* UD	Malone	Sutton West .....	.....	.....
			<u>\$8,175 00</u>	<u>\$8,434 87</u>

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued

Statement of Contributions to July 17, 1913.

No.	Name of Lodge	Location	Quota	Paid
ONTARIO DISTRICT NO. 12				
* 30	Composite	Whitby	219 00	233 00
* 39	Mount Zion	Brooklin	78 00	78 00
* 77	Faithful Brethren	Lindsay	351 00	418 00
* 139	Lebanon	Oshawa	204 00	204 00
* 268	Verulam	Bobcaygeon	105 00	105 00
* 270	Cedar	Oshawa	207 00	208 00
* 398	Victoria	Kirkfield	108 00	108 00
* 406	Spry	Fenelon Falls	171 00	171 00
* 408	Murray	Beaverton	138 00	138 00
* 428	Fidelity	Port Perry	252 00	252 00
* 440	Arcadia	Minden	132 00	163 50
* 451	Somerville	Kinmount	165 00	165 00
* 463	North Entrance	Haliburton	81 00	121 00
* 464	King Edward	Sunderland	102 00	102 00
* 477	Harding	Woodville .....	.....	78 00
* 498	King George V.	Cobocnck .....	.....	16 00
			<u>\$2,313 00</u>	<u>\$2,560 50</u>
PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT NO. 13				
* 11	Moirs	Belleville	513 00	513 12
* 17	St. John's	Cobourg	255 00	255 00
* 18	Prince Edward	Pictou	663 00	663 00
* 29	United	Brighton	303 00	303 00
* 38	Trent	Trenton	270 00	300 00
* 48	Madoc	Madoc	321 00	321 00
* 50	Consecon	Consecon	120 00	120 00
* 69	Stirling	Stirling	201 00	215 00
* 91	Colborne	Colborne	246 00	271 00
* 123	Belleville	Belleville	435 00	435 00
* 126	Golden Rule	Campbellford	123 00	171 00
* 127	Franck	Frankford	261 00	273 00
* 161	Percy	Warkworth	216 00	216 00
* 164	Star in the East	Wellington	231 00	231 00
* 215	Lake	Ameliasburg	159 00	159 00
* 222	Marmora	Marmora	237 00	237 00
* 239	Tweed	Tweed	201 00	201 00
* 283	Eureka	Belleville	201 00	201 00
* 401	Craig	Deseronto	168 00	168 00
* 482	Bancroft	Bancroft .....	.....	42 00
			<u>\$5,124 00</u>	<u>\$5,295 12</u>

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued

Statement of Contributions to July 17, 1913.

No.	Name of Lodge	Location	Quota	Paid
FRONTENAC DISTRICT NO. 14				
* 3	Ancient St. John's	Kingston	465 00	465 00
* 9	Union	Napanee	309 00	309 00
* 92	Cataraqui	Kingston	438 00	438 00
*109	Albion	Harrowsmith	198 00	198 00
*119	Maple Leaf	Bath	123 00	163 00
*146	Prince of Wales	Newburgh	138 00	139 00
*157	Simpson	Newboro	195 00	195 00
*201	Leeds	Mananogue	375 00	375 00
*212	Elysian	Garden Island	57 00	57 00
*228	Prince Arthur	Odessa	117 00	119 00
*253	Minden	Kingston	246 00	246 00
*299	Victoria	Montreville	96 00	96 00
*404	Lorne	Pamworth	114 00	155 00
*441	Westport	Westport	105 00	105 00
*460	Rideau	Seeley's Bay	105 00	105 00
*497	St. Andrew's	Arden .....	.....	6 00
			<u>\$3,081 00</u>	<u>\$3,171 00</u>
ST. LAWRENCE DISTRICT NO. 15				
* 5	Sussex	Brockville	561 00	561 00
14	True Britons	Perth	273 00	81 00
* 24	St. Francis	Smith's Falls	390 00	392 50
* 28	Mt. Zion	Kemptville	141 00	141 00
55	Merrickville	Merrickville	237 00	161 00
* 74	St. James	South Augusta	165 00	165 00
* 85	Rising Sun	Athens	180 00	180 00
*110	Central	Prescott	312 00	315 00
*242	Macoy	Mallorytown	213 00	213 00
*368	Salem	Brockville	342 00	360 50
370	Harmony	Delta	180 00	5 00
*387	Lansdowne	Lansdowne	102 00	102 00
*389	Crystal Fountain	North Augusta	105 00	126 00
*416	Lyn	Lyn	111 00	111 00
*489	Osiris	Smith's Falls .....	.....	50 00
			<u>\$3,312 00</u>	<u>\$2,964 00</u>

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued

Statement of Contributions to July 17, 1913.

No.	Name of Lodge	Location	Quota	Paid
OTTAWA DISTRICT NO. 16				
* 52	Dalhousie	Ottawa	456 00	628 00
* 58	Doric	Ottawa	348 00	418 00
* 63	St. John's	Carleton Place	450 00	451 00
*122	Renfrew	Renfrew	351 00	351 00
*128	Pembroke	Pembroke	426 00	539 00
*147	Mississippi	Almonte	246 00	246 00
*148	Civil Service	Ottawa	294 00	295 00
*159	Goodwood	Richmond	198 00	198 00
*177	The Builders	Ottawa	483 00	483 00
*196	Madawaska	Arnprior	291 00	300 00
*209	Evergreen	Lanark	117 00	117 50
*231	Fidelity	Ottawa	399 00	401 00
*264	Chaudiere	Ottawa	357 00	380 66
*371	Prince of Wales	Ottawa	267 00	267 25
*433	Bonnechere	Eganville	132 00	144 00
*459	Cobden	Cobden	111 00	111 00
*465	Carleton	Carp	63 00	63 00
*476	Corinthian	North Gower .....	.....	21 00
*479	Russell	Russell .....	.....	64 50
*UD	Enterprise	Beachburg .....	.....	.....
*UD	Hazeldean	Hazeldean .....	.....	.....
			<u>\$4,989 00</u>	<u>\$5,478 91</u>
ALGOMA DISTRICT NO. 17				
*287	Shuniah	Port Arthur	381 00	381 00
*414	Pequonga	Kenora	300 00	400 00
*415	Fort William	Fort William	261 00	261 00
417	Keewatin	Keewatin	180 00	149 00
*445	Lake of the Woods	Kenora	87 00	87 00
*446	Granite	Fort Frances	159 00	159 00
*453	Royal	Fort William	138 00	138 00
*461	Ionie	Rainy River	93 00	172 00
*484	Golden Star	Dryden .....	.....	79 00
*UD	Connaught	West Fort William .....	.....	.....
			<u>\$1,599 00</u>	<u>\$1,826 00</u>

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued

Statement of Contributions to July 17, 1913.

No.	Name of Lodge	Location	Quota	Paid
NIPISSING DISTRICT NO. 18				
*405	Mattawa	Mattawa	267 00	297 25
*412	Keystone	Sault Ste. Marie ...	588 00	588 00
*420	Nipissing	North Bay	330 00	330 25
*427	Nickel	Sudbury	378 00	467 00
*442	Dymont	Thessalon	204 00	209 50
*447	Sturgeon Falls	Sturgeon Falls	138 00	148 00
*455	Doric	Little Current	195 00	215 00
*462	Temiscaming	New Liskeard	96 00	124 62
*469	Algoma	Sault Ste. Marie ...	66 00	192 00
*472	Gore Bay	Gore Bay .....	.....	48 00
*485	Haileybury	Haileybury .....	.....	125 00
*486	Silver	Cobalt .....	.....	150 00
*487	Penewobikong	Blind River .....	.....	84 75
			<u>\$2,262 00</u>	<u>\$2,979 37</u>
MUSKOKA DISTRICT NO. 19				
*352	Granite	Parry Sound	279 00	279 00
*360	Muskoka	Bracebridge	201 00	201 00
*376	Unity	Huntsville	270 00	270 70
*409	Golden Rule	Gravenhurst	177 00	177 00
*423	Strong	Sundridge	159 00	159 00
*434	Algonquin	Emsdale	159 00	159 00
*443	Powassan	Powassan	108 00	108 00
*454	Corona	Burk's Falls	96 00	96 00
			<u>\$1,449 00</u>	<u>\$1,449 70</u>
OTONABEE DISTRICT NO.				
* 26	Ontario	Port Hope	330 00	330 00
* 31	Jerusalem	Bowmanville	228 00	228 00
* 66	Durham	Newcastle	60 00	60 00
*101	Corinthian	Peterborough	363 00	363 00
*114	Hope	Port Hope	288 00	288 00
*145	J. B. Hall	Millbrook	150 00	150 00
*155	Peterborough	Peterborough	549 00	584 50
*223	Norwood	Norwood	213 00	213 00
*313	Clementi	Lakefield	183 00	194 50
*325	Orono	Orono	105 00	105 00
*374	Keene	Keene	93 00	93 00
*375	Lorne	Omemee	93 00	93 00
*435	Havelock	Havelock	228 00	228 00
			<u>\$2,883 00</u>	<u>\$2,930 00</u>

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued

Statement of Contributions to July 17, 1913.

No.	Name of Lodge	Location	Quota	Paid
EASTERN DISTRICT NO. 21				
21a	St. John's	Vankleek Hill	213 00	166 00
125	Cornwall	Cornwall	303 00	229 00
142	Excelsior	Morrisburg	201 00	35 00
*143	Friendly Bros.	Iroquois	282 00	282 00
*156	Plantagenet	Plantagenet	117 00	132 00
207	Lancaster	Lancaster	189 00	123 00
256	Farran's Pt.	Aultsville	180 00	157 00
320	Chesterville	Chesterville	255 00	207 00
*383	Henderson	W. Winchester	204 00	204 00
418	Maxville	Maxville	210 00	30 00
*439	Alexandria	Alexandria	135 00	135 00
*450	Hawkesbury	Hawkesbury	147 00	147 00
*452	Avonmore	Avonmore	93 00	93 00
*458	Wales	Wales	141 00	141 00
*480	Williamsburg	N. Williamsburg ....	.....	.....
*491	Cardinal	Cardinal .....	.....	.....
			\$2,670 00	\$2,081 00

RECAPITULATION

No.	District	Quota	Paid
1	Erie	5,406 00	5,740 92
2	St. Clair	4,080 00	3,553 25
3	London	6,621 00	6,362 17
4	South Huron	3,534 00	3,670 00
5	North Huron	3,204 00	2,985 20
6	Wilson	4,446 00	4,426 50
* 7	Wellington	4,611 00	4,670 50
* 8	Hamilton	9,852 00	10,736 37
9	Georgian	3,177 00	3,107 00
9a	Georgian	1,887 00	1,829 00
10	Niagara	4,506 00	4,606 00
*11	Toronto West	8,922 00	9,621 05
*11a	Toronto East	8,175 00	9,434 87
*12	Ontario	2,313 00	2,560 50
*13	Prince Edward	5,124 00	5,295 12
*14	Frontenac	3,081 00	3,171 00
15	St. Lawrence	3,312 00	2,964 00
*16	Ottawa	4,989 00	5,478 91
17	Algoma	1,599 00	1,826 00
*18	Nipissing	2,262 00	2,979 37
*19	Muskoka	1,449 00	1,449 70
*20	Otonabee	2,883 00	2,930 00
21	Eastern	2,670 00	2,081 00
		\$98,193 00	101,478 43
Miscellaneous			228 83
			101,707 26

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

Upon nomination of their respective Grand Masters, the following brethren have been appointed by the Grand Master to represent this Grand Lodge near their own Grand Bodies, viz:

W. Bro. Clarence Bearse, East Providence, R. I.,
Grand Lodge of Rhode Island.

W. Bro. H. Glyde, Gregory, San Juan, Puerto Rico,
Grand Lodge of Puerto Rico.

Upon nomination of the M. W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada R. W. Bro. George C. Holden, Hamilton, was appointed to represent the Grand Lodge of Puerto Rico, near this Grand Lodge.

WARRANTS

In compliance with the resolution of Grand Lodge at the last Annual Communication, warrants have been granted to:

Port Arthur Lodge No. 499, Port Arthur.

Rose Lodge No. 500, Windsor.

Connaught Lodge No. 501, Mimico.

Coronation Lodge No. 502, Smithville.

DISPENSATIONS

Dispensations have been continued to the following lodges, viz.—

Inwood Lodge, Inwood.

Otter Lodge, Lombardy.

Lynden Lodge, Lynden.

Porcupine Lodge, Porcupine.

Dispensations have been granted to the following new lodges, viz.—

Elk Lake Lodge, Elk Lake.

Ozias Lodge, Brantford.

Twin City Lodge, Berlin.

Connaught Lodge, West Fort William.

Parkdale Lodge, Toronto.

Corinthian Lodge, Hamilton.

Malone Lodge, Sutton West.

St. Alban's Lodge, Toronto.

Reba Lodge, Brantford.

Enterprise Lodge, Beachburg.

Hazeldean Lodge, Hazeldean.

CONSECRATIONS

The following lodges have been constituted and consecrated, viz.—

Port Arthur Lodge No. 499, Port Arthur, by R. W. Bro. F. B. Allen, D. D. G. M. on Monday, September 30th, 1912.

Rose Lodge No. 500, Windsor, by R. W. Bro. W. A. Kelly, D. D. G. M., on Tuesday, September 24th, 1912.

Connaught Lodge No. 501, Mimico, by R. W. Bro. J. B. McLean, D. D. G. M., on Thursday, October 10th, 1912.

Coronation Lodge No. 502, Smithville, by R. W. Bro. James Waugh, D. D. G. M., on Monday, October 21st, 1912.

DEDICATIONS

The following lodges have been dedicated during the year, viz.—

London District No. 3.

The Masonic Temple, London, by M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, Grand Master on Wednesday, April 16th, 1913.

Wilson District No. 6

Springfield Lodge No. 259, Springfield, by R. W. Bro. A. W. Cameron, D. D. G. M., on Monday, October 21st, 1912.

Wellington District No. 7

New Hope Lodge No. 279, Hespeler, by R. W. Bro. Thos. Rafter, D. D. G. M., on Wednesday, March 26th, 1913.

Hamilton District No. 8

St. Clair Lodge No. 135, Milton, by R. W. Bro. W. H. Wardrope, D. D. G. M., on Thursday, March 20th, 1913.

Niagara District No. 10

Coronation Lodge No. 502, Smithville, by R. W. Bro. James Waugh, D. D. G. M., on Monday, October 21st, 1912.

Macnab Lodge No. 169, Port Colborne, by R. W. Bro. James Waugh, D. D. G. M., on Friday, December 27th, 1912.

Toronto West District No. 11

Connaught Lodge No. 501, Mimico, by R. W. Bro. J. B. McLean, D. D. G. M., on Thursday, April 10th, 1913.

Ionic Lodge No. 229, Brampton, by M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, Grand Master, on Tuesday, April 22nd, 1913.

Toronto East District No. 11A

The Riverdale Masonic Hall, Toronto, by M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, Grand Master, on Friday, March 14th, 1913.

Prince Edward District No. 13

Bancroft Lodge No. 482, Bancroft, by R. W. Bro. Owen C. Watson, D. D. G. M., on Monday June 30th, 1913.

Frontenac District No. 14

Leeds Lodge No. 201, Gananoque, by M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, Grand Master, on Tuesday, January 28th, 1913.

CORNER STONES

Corner Stones have been laid with Masonic ceremonies as follows:

The Young Men's Christian Association Building, Sault Ste. Marie, by M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, Grand Master, on Saturday, August 24th, 1912.

The Masonic Temple, Ottawa, by M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, Grand Master, on Saturday, October 12th, 1912.

St. Philip's (Anglican) Church, Unionville, by M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, Grand Master, on Wednesday, June, 11th, 1913.

North Augusta Methodist Church, by R. W. Bro. Wm. Hyndman, D. D. G. M., on Thursday, July 10th, 1913.

BY-LAWS CONFIRMED BY THE M. W. THE GRAND MASTER.

Date	No.	Lodge	Location
1912			
July 2	498	King George V.	Cobocouk
July 5	221	Mountain	Thorold
July 16	283	Eureka	Belleville
Sept. 19	463	North Entrance	Haliburton
Sept. 19	7	Union	Grimsby
Oct. 1	128	Pembroke	Pembroke
Oct. 1	390	Florence	Florence
Oct. 3	369	Mimico	Lambton Mills
Oct. 17	282	Lorne	Glencoe
Dec. 21	25	Ionic	Toronto
Dec. 31	455	Doric	Little Current
1913			
Jan. 23	500	Rose	Windsor
Jan. 23	3	Ancient St. John's	Kingston
Feb. 22	84	Clinton	Clinton
Mar. 5	499	Port Arthur	Port Arthur
Mar. 26	362	Maple Leaf	Tara
Apr. 12	126	Golden Rule	Campbellford
Apr. 14	194	Petrolia	Petrolia
Apr. 28	502	Coronation	Smithville
May 2	493	St. Marys	St. Marys
May 5	422	Star in the East	Bothwell
May 26	47	Great Western	Windsor
May 30	105	St. Mark's	Niagara Falls
June 19	439	Alexandria	Alexandria

AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS CONFIRMED BY THE M. W. THE GRAND MASTER

Date	No.	Lodge	Location
1912			
July 5	155	Peterborough	Peterborough
July 5	426	Stanley	Toronto
July 5	86	Wilson	Toronto
July 16	412	Keystone	Sault Ste. Marie
Aug. 1	237	Vienna	Vienna
Aug. 12	105	St. Mark's	Niagara Falls
Aug. 21	261	Oak Branch	Innerkip
Aug. 27	180	Speed	Guelph
Sept. 19	22	King Solomon's	Toronto
Sept. 19	259	Springfield	Springfield
Oct. 5	43	King Solomon's	Woodstock
Oct. 30	143	Friendly Brothers	Iroquois
Nov. 4	494	Riverdale	Toronto
Nov. 4	143	Friendly Brothers	Iroquois
Nov. 16	472	Gore Bay	Gore Bay
Dec. 5	41	St. George's	Kingsville
Dec. 7	430	Acacia	Toronto
Dec. 18	217	Frederick	Delhi
Dec. 18	469	Algoma	Sault Ste. Marie
Dec. 24	151	Grand River	Berlin
Dec. 28	90	Manito	Collingwood

AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS CONFIRMED BY THE M. W. THE
GRAND MASTER—Continued.

Date 1913	No.	Lodge	Location
Jan. 23	357	Waterdown	Millgrove
Jan. 23	290	Leamington	Leamington
Jan. 23	356	River Park	Streetsville
Feb. 11	435	Havelock	Havelock
Feb. 17	57	Harmony	Binbrook
Feb. 17	488	King Edward	Harrow
Feb. 17	92	Cataraqui	Kingston
Feb. 22	380	Union	London
Mar. 7	127	Franek	Frankford
Mar. 7	427	Nickel	Sudbury
Mar. 26	348	Georgian	Penetanguishene
Mar. 31	394	King Solomon	Thamesford
Mar. 31	229	Ionic	Brampton
Mar. 31	373	Copestone	Welland
Apr. 1	121	Doric	Brantford
Apr. 1	27	Strict Observance	Hamilton
Apr. 5	255	Sydenham	Dresden
Apr. 9	103	Maple Leaf	St. Catharines
Apr. 14	142	Excelsior	Morrisburg
Apr. 18	295	Conestogo	Drayton
Apr. 18	343	Georgina	Toronto
Apr. 19	181	Oriental	Port Burwell
Apr. 19	403	Windsor	Windsor
Apr. 25	260	Washington	Petrolia
Apr. 28	216	Harris	Orangeville
May 5	69	Stirling	Stirling
May 13	38	Trent	Trenton
May 17	405	Mattawa	Mattawa
May 17	487	Penewobikong	Blind River
May 21	265	Patterson	Thornhill
May 22	372	Palmer	Bridgeburg
May 26	324	Temple	Hamilton
May 28	92	Cataraqui	Kingston
May 29	410	Zeta	Toronto
June 12	144	Tecumseh	Stratford
June 18	196	Madawaska	Arnprior
June 20	437	Tuscan	Sarnia
June 26	153	Burns	Wyoming

LIST OF DISPENSATIONS ISSUED, 1912-1913.

Date	No.	Lodge	Location	Purpose
1912				
July 3	437	Tuscan	Sarnia	Divine Service
" 3	261	Oak Branch	Innerkip	Divine Service
" 4	452	Avonmore	Avonmore	Divine Service
" 10	98	True Blue	Bolton	To install
" 10	133	Lebanon Forest ..	Exeter	Divine Service
" 10	462	Temiscaming	New Lisheard ..	Divine Service
" 10	259	Springfield	Springfield	To initiate
" 12	169	Macnab	Port Colborne ..	To initiate
" 12	242	Macoy	Mallorytown	To initiate
" 12	482	Bancroft	Bancroft	Divine Service
" 15	440	Arcadia	Minden	Divine Service
" 23	469	Algoma	Sault Ste. Marie ..	Change Night mtg.
" 23	66	Durham	Newcastle	Divine Service
" 24	164	Star of the East	Wellington	Divine Service
Aug. 3	171	Prince of Wales ..	Lawrence Station	To confer 3rd deg.
" 13	74	St. James	S. Augusta	Divine Service
" 13	153	Burns	Wyoming	Divine Service
" 14	73	St. James	St. Marys	Divine Service
" 19	460	Rideau	Seeley's Bay	Divine Service
" 19	196	Madawaska	Arnprior	Divine Service
" 22	169	Macnab	Port Colborne	To initiate
" 23	263	Forest	Forest	Divine Service
Sept. 2	338	Dufferin	Wellandport	Divine Service
" 9	87	Markham Union ..	Markham	Divine Service
" 10	62	St. Andrew's	Caledonia	Divine Service
" 10	34	Thistle	Amherstburg	Divine Service
" 10	441	Westport	Westport	To confer 2nd. deg.
" 12	207	Lancaster	Lancaster	Divine Service
" 14	228	Prince Arthur	Odessa	To confer 2nd. deg.
" 23	24	St. Francis	Smith's Falls	To confer 3rd. deg.
" 24	171	Prince of Wales	Lawrence Station	To confer 3rd. deg.
" 24	384	Alpha	Toronto	Change hr. of mtg.
" 26	141	Tudor	Mitchell	Divine Service
Oct. 3	321	Walker	Acton	To initiate
" 3	438	Harmony	Toronto	Change hr of mtg.
" 4	471	King Edward VII.	Chippawa	Divine Service
" 5	357	Waterdown	Millgrove	Divine Service
" 7	272	Seymour	Ancaster	Divine Service
" 7	144	Tecumseh	Stratford	Divine Service
" 8	126	Golden Rule	Campbellford	Divine Service
" 12	46	Wellington	Chatham	To give a concert
" 14	486	Silver	Cobalt	To elect
" 15	203	Irvine	Elora	Divine Service
" 15	131	St. Lawrence	Southampton	To elect
" 15	315	Clifford	Clifford	To install
" 15	361	Waverley	Guelph	Change night mtg.
" 17	81	St. John's	Mt. Brydges	Divine Service
" 18	481	Corinthian	Toronto	Change night mtg.
" 22	387	Lansdowne	Lansdowne	Divine Service

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA LIST OF DISPENSATIONS—Continued.

Date	No.	Lodge	Location	Purpose
Oct. 24	384	Alpha	Toronto	At Home
" 29	489	Osiris	Smith's Falls	At Home
Nov. 6	322	North Star	Owen Sound	To elect
" 7	473	The Beaches	Toronto	At Home
" 15	40	St. John's	Hamilton	At Home
" 15	153	Burns	Wyoming	At Home
" 16	44	St. Thomas	St. Thomas	At Home
" 18	481	Corinthian	Toronto	At Home
" 19	435	Havelock	Havelock	To elect
" 20	127	Frank	Frankford	Divine Service
" 21	412	Keystone	Sault Ste. Marie	At Home
" 21	43	King Solomon's ..	Woodstock	To initiate
" 22	223	Norwood	Norwood	To elect
" 28	9	Union	Napanee	At Home
" 29	90	Manito	Collingwood	Special meeting
" 29	236	Manitoba	Cookstown	Special meeting
" 29	37	King Hiram	Ingersoll	To install
" 29	68	St. John's	Ingersoll	To install
" 30	247	Ashlar	Toronto	Special meeting
Dec. 2	166	Wentworth	Stoney Creek	To initiate
" 2	296	Temple	St. Catharines ..	Special meeting
" 3	264	Chaudiere	Ottawa	Special meeting
" 3	22	King Solomon's ..	Toronto	Special meeting
" 4	32	Amity	Dunville	Special meeting
" 5	247	Ashlar	Toronto	At Home
" 11	31	Jerusalem	Bowmanville	To initiate
" 11	31	Jerusalem	Bowmanville	To initiate
" 11	31	Jerusalem	Bowmanville	To initiate
" 11	31	Jerusalem	Bowmanville	To initiate
" 12	384	Alpha	Toronto	To install
" 12	44	St. Thomas	St. Thomas	To install
" 13	155	Peterborough	Peterborough	To install
" 13	145	J. B. Hail	Milbrook	At Home
" 16	101	Corinthian	Peterborough	To install
" 16	274	Kent	Blenheim	To install
" 16	410	Zeta	Toronto	At Home
" 16	501	Connaught	Mimico	At Home
" 18	361	Waverley	Guelph	To install
" 18	142	Excelsior	Morrisburg	To initiate
" 19	11	Moir	Belleville	To install
" 19	283	Eureka	Belleville	To install
" 19	123	Belleville	Belleville	To install
" 19	126	Golden Rule	Campbellford	To install
" 21	33	Maitland	Goderich	To install
" 21	146	Prince of Wales ..	Newburgh	Divine Service
" 21	61	Acacia	Hamilton	Divine Service
" 24	292	Robertson	King	To install
" 26	57	Harmony	Binbrook	At Home
" 26	2	Niagara	Niagara	To elect
" 26	46	Wellington	Chatham	Divine Service
" 26	109	Albion	Harrowsmith	To install

LIST OF DISPENSATIONS—Continued.

Date	No.	Lodge	Location	Purpose
Dec. 26	309	Morning Star	Carlow	To install
" 26	435	Havelock	Havelock	At Home
" 27	75	St. John's	Toronto	At Home
" 27	75	St. John's	Toronto	Banquet
" 27	498	King George V.	Coboconk	To install
" 27	7	Union	Grimsby	To initiate
" 28	47	Great Western ...	Windsor	To install
" 28	483	Granton	Granton	To elect
" 30	85	Rising Sun	Athens ...	To install
" 30	217	Frederick	Delhi	To elect
" 30	300	Mount Olivet	Thorndale	To install
" 30	334	Prince Arthur ...	Arthur	To elect
" 30	462	Temiscaming	New Liskeard ...	At Home
" 30	489	Osiris	Smith's Falls	To install
" 31	180	Speed	Guelph ...	To install
" 31	394	King Solomon's ...	Thamesford	To install
" 31	394	King Solomon's ...	Thamesford	At Home
" 31	401	Craig	Deseronto	To elect
" 31	474	Victoria	Toronto	Change hr. of mtg.
" 31	474	Victoria	Toronto	At Home
" 31	284	St. John's	Brussels	At Home
" 31	482	Bancroft	Bancroft	To install
1913				
Jan. 2	242	Macoy	Mallorytown	To install
" 2	265	Patterson	Thornhill	At Home
" 3	141	Tudor	Mitchell	To install
" 6	460	Rideau	Seeley's Bay	At Home
" 7	492	Karnak	Coldwater	To install
" 8	65	Rehoboam	Toronto	At Home
" 9	346	Occident	Toronto ...	At Home
" 9	277	Seymour	Port Dalhousie ...	Divine Service
" 10	321	Walker	Acton	To elect
" 11	496	University	Toronto ...	To initiate
" 11	218	Stevenson	Toronto	At Home
" 11	359	Vittoria	Vittoria	To elect
" 11	463	North Entrance ...	Haliburton	To elect
" 14	81	St. John's	Mt. Brydges	To install
" 15	457	Century	Merlin	To install
" 17	396	Cedar	Warton	To install
" 18	88	St. George's	Owen Sound	At Home
" 18	385	Spry	Beeton	At Home
" 20	294	Moore	Courtright	At Home
" 20	154	Irving	Lucan	At Home
" 24	47	Great Western ...	Windsor	At Home
" 24	16	St. Andrew's	Toronto ...	At Home
" 27	372	Palmer	Bridgeburg	To install
" 27	438	Harmony	Toronto	At Home
" 27	93	Northern Light ...	Kincardine	At Home
" 28	383	Henderson	Winchester	Banquet
" 28	U.D.	Inwood	Inwood	At Home
" 31	46	Wellington	Chatham	To initiate

LIST OF DISPENSATIONS—Continued.

Date	No.	Lodge	Location	Purpose
Jan. 31	316	Doric	Toronto	At Home
" 31	367	St. George	Toronto	At Home
Feb. 1	430	Acacia	Toronto	At Home
" 5	265	Patterson	Thornhill	To initiate
" 6	121	Doric	Brantford	At Home
" 10	287	Shuniah	Port Arthur	At Home
" 13	502	Coronation	Smithville	At Home
" 13	57	Harmony	Binbrook	To initiate
" 17	190	Belmont	Belmont	At Home
" 18	473	The Beaches	Toronto	At Home
" 21	378	King Solomon	London	At Home
" 21	494	Riverdale	Toronto	At Home
" 25	433	Bonnechere	Eganville	To install
" 25	47	Great Western	Windsor	At Home
" 26	74	St. James	S. Augusta	At Home
" 27	444	Nitetis	Creemore	At Home
" 28	171	Prince of Wales ..	Lawrence Station	At Home
Mar. 3	119	Maple Leaf	Bath	At Home
" 5	242	Macoy	Mallorytown	Divine Service
" 6	21a	St. John's	Vankleek Hill ..	At Home
" 6	64	Kilwinning	London	Change night mtg.
" 6	235	Aldworth	Paisley	Change night mtg.
" 10	166	Wentworth	Stoney Creek	At Home
" 11	156	York	Toronto	At Home
" 12	443	Powassan	Powassan	At Home
" 13	361	Waverley	Guelph	Change night mtg.
" 14	466	Coronation	Elmvale	At Home
" 18	47	Great Western	Windsor	At Home
" 18	500	Rose	Windsor	At Home
" 22	303	Blyth	Blyth	To initiate
" 24	368	Salem	Brockville	At Home
" 24	426	Stanley	Toronto	At Home
" 24	30	Composite	Whitby	To initiate
" 24	30	Composite	Whitby	To initiate
" 24	30	Composite	Whitby	To initiate
" 25	403	Windsor	Windsor	At Home
" 29	225	Bernard	Listowel	To initiate
" 31	339	Orient	Toronto	At Home
April 1	133	Lebanon Forest ..	Exeter	To initiate
" 1	303	Blyth	Blyth	Change night mtg.
" 3	346	Occident	Toronto	At Home
" 4	316	Doric	Toronto	Change hr. of mtg.
" 4	494	Riverdale	Toronto	Change hr. of mtg.
" 5	324	Temple	Hamilton	At Home
" 10	20	St. John's	London	At Home
" 16	483	Granton	Granton	At Home
" 16	384	Alpha	Toronto	Change hr. of mtg.
" 18	47	Great Western	Windsor	At Home
" 19	316	Doric	Toronto	Hold theatre party
" 19	369	Mimico	Lambton Mills ..	Change night mtg.
" 19	U.D.	Elk Lake	Elk Lake	To confer 3rd deg.

LIST OF DISPENSATIONS—Continued.

Date	No.	Lodge	Location	Purpose
April 21	U.D.	Corinthian	Hamilton	Change night mtg.
" 28	473	The Beaches	Toronto	At Home
" 30	34	Thistle	Amherestburg	To initiate
" 30	79	Simcoe	Bradford	To initiate
May 6	6	Barton	Hamilton	To install
" 6	430	Acacia	Toronto	Divine Service
" 6	265	Patterson	Thornhill	Divine Service
" 7	228	Prince Arthur	Odessa	Divine Service
" 9	260	Washington	Petrolia	Excursion
" 12	472	Gore Bay	Gore Bay	Divine Service
" 13	339	Orient	Toronto	At Home
" 14	249	Caledonian	Midland	Lodge of Instruc.
" 16	411	Rodney	Rodney	To initiate
" 19	376	Unity	Huntsville	Lodge of Instruc.
" 21	435	Havelock	Havelock	Divine Service
" 22	178	Plattsville	Plattsville	Divine Service
" 26	7	Union	Grimsby	Picnic
" 26	384	Alpha	Toronto	Change hr. of mtg.
" 26	441	Westport	Westport	To initiate
" 27	82	St. John's	Paris	Divine Service
" 28	170	Britannia	Seaforth	Divine Service
" 28	300	Mount Olivet	Thorndale	Divine Service
" 29	18	Prince Edward	Picton	Divine Service
" 30	465	Carleton	Carp	Divine Service
" 31	279	New Hope	Hespeler	To install
June 2	485	Haileybury	Haileybury	Divine Service
" 3	420	Nipissing	North Bay	Divine Service
" 3	192	Orillia	Orillia	Divine Service
" 3	147	Mississippi	Almonte	Divine Service
" 5	356	River Park	Streetsville	Divine Service
" 5	473	The Beaches	Toronto	Divine Service
" 5	458	Wales	Wales	Divine Service
" 6	249	Caledonian	Midland	Divine Service
" 6	302	St. David's	St. Thomas	Divine Service
" 6	110	Central	Prescott	Divine Service
" 7	3	Ancient St. John's	Kingston	Divine Service
" 7	312	Pnyx	Wallaceburg	Divine Service
" 7	324	Temple	Hamilton	Divine Service
" 7	405	Mattawa	Mattawa	To decorate graves
" 7	422	Star of the East	Bothwell	Divine Service
" 10	433	Bonnechere	Eganville	Divine Service
" 10	331	Fordwich	Fordwich	Divine Service
" 10	165	Burlington	Burlington	Divine Service
" 10	194	Petrolia	Petrolia	Divine Service
" 10	373	Copestone	Welland	Divine Service
" 11	45	Brant	Brantford	To install
" 11	73	St. James	St. Marys	Divine Service
" 11	123	Belleville	Belleville	Divine Service
" 11	143	Friendly Brothers	roquois	Divine Service
" 11	254	Clifton	Niagara Falls	Divine Service
" 11	390	Florence	Florence	Divine Service

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Date	No.	Lodge	Location	Purpose
June 11	452	Avonmore	Avonmore	Divine Service
" 12	159	Goodwood	Richmond	Divine Service
" 12	346	Occident	Toronto	Divine Service
" 12	487	Penewobikong	Blind River	Divine Service
" 13	77	Faithful Brethren	Lindsay	Divine Service
" 13	447	Sturgeon Falls ...	Sturgeon Falls ...	Divine Service
" 14	233	Doric	Parkhill	Divine Service
" 14	316	Doric	Toronto	Picnic
" 14	316	Doric	Toronto	Excursion
" 14	441	Westport	Westport	Divine Service
" 15	499	Port Arthur	Port Arthur	Divine Service
" 16	196	Madawaska	Araprior	Divine Service
" 16	24	St. Francis	Smith's Falls	Divine Service
" 16	47	Great Western ...	Windsor	Excursion
" 16	63	St. John's	Carleton Place ...	Divine Service
" 16	128	Pembroke	Pembroke	Divine Service
" 16	360	Muskoka	Bracebridge	Divine Service
" 16	403	Windsor	Windsor	Divine Service
" 16	491	Cardinal	Cardinal	Divine Service
" 17	236	Manitoba	Cookstown	Divine Service
" 17	267	Parthenon	Chatham	Divine Service
" 17	339	Orient	Toronto	Divine Service
" 17	459	Cobden	Cobden	Divine Service
" 18	14	True Britons	Perth	Divine Service
" 18	32	Amity	Dunnville	Divine Service
" 18	137	Pythagoras	Meaford	Divine Service
" 18	219	Credit	Georgetown	Divine Service
" 18	256	Farran's Point ...	Aultsville	Divine Service
" 18	284	St. John's	Brussels	Divine Service
" 18	332	Stratford	Stratford	Divine Service
" 18	444	Nitetis	Creemore	Divine Service
" 19	37	King Hiram	Ingersoll	Divine Service
" 19	55	Merrickville	Merrickville	Divine Service
" 19	76	Oxford	Woodstock	Divine Service
" 19	114	Port Hope	Port Hope	Divine Service
" 19	129	Rising Sun	Aurora	Divine Service
" 19	368	Salem	Brockville	Divine Service
" 19	404	Lorne	Tamworth	Divine Service
" 19	U.D.	Purcupine	Porcupine	Divine Service
" 19	286	Wingham	Wingham	To install
" 20	299	Victoria	Centreville	Divine Service
" 20	329	King Solomon's ..	Jarvis	Divine Service
" 21	72	Alma	Galt	Divine Service
" 21	239	Tweed	Tweed	Divine Service
" 21	395	Parvaim	Comber	Divine Service
" 21	406	Spry	Fenelon Falls	Divine Service
" 21	461	Ionic	Rainy River	Divine Service
" 23	184	Old Light	Lucknow	Divine Service
" 23	415	Fort William	Fort William	Divine Service
" 25	62	St. Andrew's	Caledonia	Divine Service
" 25	126	Golden Rule	Campbellford	Divine Service

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Date	No.	Lodge	Location	Purpose
June 25	154	Irving	Lucan	Divine Service
" 26	33	Maitland	Goderich	Divine Service
" 26	133	Lebanon Forest ...	Exeter	Divine Service
" 26	157	Simpson	Newboro	Divine Service
" 26	376	Unity	Huntsville	Divine Service
" 26	497	St. Andrew's	Arden	Divine Service
" 30	291	Dufferin	W. Flamboro' ...	Divine Service
" 30	118	Union	Schomberg	Divine Service
" 30	462	Temiscaming	New Liskeard	Divine Service

Fraternally submitted,



Grand Secretary.

It was moved by the R. W. the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by M. W. Bro. B. Allen, and

Resolved: That the reports of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary be received and referred to the Board of General Purposes.

The Grand Secretary presented the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters.

It was moved by the R. W. the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by M. W. Bro. W. R. White, and

Resolved, That the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters be received and referred to the Board of General Purposes.

REPORTS OF THE DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

ERIE DISTRICT NO. 1

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration the following report on the Condition of Masonry in Erie District No. 1 for the year 1912-13.

I wish to thank the brethren of this district for the honor they conferred on me in electing me to the high and important office of D. D. G. M. I also wish to express my appreciation to the W. Ms. officers and brethren of the various lodges throughout this district for the hearty and cordial welcome extended to me on all my official visits.

Upon assuming the office of D. D. G. M. I drafted a circular letter to the various lodges throughout the district.

I also sent to the various lodges owing the Semi-Centennial Benevolent Fund requests to pay their full allotment to this fund on or before May 31st, 1913.

Free Masonry in Erie District is in a healthy and prosperous condition. Enthusiasm and brotherly love seem to exist. Every lodge with two exceptions seems to be doing its level best and the only rivalry that exists between the lodges is the friendly rivalry in the exemplification of the work.

I find the secretaries on the whole capable and efficient and the W. Ms. and officers of the various lodges endeavoring to discharge their duties faithfully.

In all my official visits this year I have endeavored to call the attention of the brethren to the following important matters.

I have endeavored to impress upon them the importance of considering carefully the moral worth of each and every candidate.

I have also tried to impress upon their minds that in each and every ballot which they deposit they are called upon to perform a solemn duty and one which ought to be discharged in a fearless yet conscientious manner.

I recommended to all the lodges the importance of having their By-laws revised to date.

I took occasion to call the attention of the brethren of every lodge to the small average attendance of its members at the meetings.

Some lodges seem to measure their strength by their numbers and consider the conferring of degrees as the beginning and end of Freemasonry.

I have tried to point out the importance of making Masons Masons rather than making men Masons.

I believe the following points to be of value in promoting the attendance of members to their lodges.

1st. An accurate and impressive exemplification of the work.

2nd. Punctuality of the W. M. and Officers at meetings.

3rd. Conferring one degree well rather than several imperfectly.

4th. The establishment of a Masonic Library in each lodge for the enlightenment and instruction of the brethren, not forgetting a place in the same for the report of the Annual Proceedings of Grand Lodge.

5th. Keep the P. Ms. interested, have them read papers on Masonic topics of interest of which there are many.

6th. Careful preparation of the candidate for advancement. I find few lodges in the district asking the candidate the necessary questions after being raised to the sublime degree and I have every reason to believe that this defect will in the future be remedied.

I would also like to see the lodges in this district ask the candidates to memorize the symbolism taught by our working tools.

I have paid particular attention to the exemplifi-

cation of the work, pointing out any defects however small for the instruction of the brethren.

I believe the work exemplified in Erie District cannot be excelled by any District in this Grand Jurisdiction and I take great pride in making this statement.

The present mode of balloting does not meet with the approval of the brethren in this district.

All the lodges have the regalia, etc., fully insured.

The total of all arrears in this district last year was over \$3,000; this year it has been reduced to \$2,400 and I hope will in the future be reduced to a minimum.

The increase in membership in the district has been 160, bringing our total to over 3,050.

The number of suspensions for N. P. D. has been 46 showing that the various lodges are determined to enforce fearlessly that by-law relating to N. P. D.

I believe an improvement could be made in the table sent to the D. D. G. M. by adding columns showing the resident and non-resident members and another column showing percentage of average attendance of resident members.

I am sorry to report that a few W. Ms. cannot confer the three degrees and yet the Board of Installed Masters are directly responsible. I pointed this out where occasion required it and I hope this regulation which has not been lived up to by a few will in the future be strictly observed.

Those in distressed circumstances are well provided for in this district.

I have paid particular attention to the Semi-Centennial Fund and I am able to report that this district while it has overpaid its allotment to this fund has one lodge which has not been able thus far to contribute its full share to the Fund.

I believe that D. D. G. Ms. especially, feel the need of an "up to date" Jurisprudence. I have called the attention of the lodges to the manner in which the auditor's reports are frequently made out and enjoined them to make out a complete report not a mere state-

ment. I also pointed out the duties of a Board of Trial. On more than one occasion I found brethren vouching for a brother, who simply "heard he was a Mason." I found out this was not sure information and such we must have if we are to guard safely our portals. I have enjoined the brethren on all occasion to live creditably and act honorably and while we cannot hope to be perfect we can exemplify in our daily lives the highest mission of humanity. And this after all is most important to the newly initiated, passed or raised candidate.

Over 250 have been initiated into our ancient and honorable society the past year and the 26 lodges have conferred over 650 degrees.

Having been authorized by the M. W., the Grand Master to constitute and consecrate Rose Lodge and install the officers, an Especial Communication of Grand Lodge was held at Windsor, Sept. 24, A.L. 5912, R. W. Bro. W. A. Kelly, D. D. G. M. acting as Grand Master; R. W. Bro. Revell as G. S. W.; W. Bro. Douglas as G. J. W.; Bro. Goldsmith English as G. D. of C.; R. W. Bro. Pettit as G. T.; W. Bro. Allworth as G. C.; V. W. Bro. Myers as G. Pur.; V. W. Bro. Brown as G. S. D. and the lodge was duly constituted and dedicated and the officers installed and invested.

Lodge of Instruction

On April 11th under the warrants of Wellington Lodge No. 46 and Parthenon Lodge No. 267, Chatham. I held a Lodge of Instruction. The M. W., the Grand Master was unable to be present and we missed very much his wise counsel.

The Lodge of Instruction was opened by Wor Bro. Hicks and officers of Wellington Lodge No. 46 and the E. A. Degree conferred in a faultless manner.

The Fellowcraft degree was conferred by V. W. Bro. E. T. Huston and officers of Lorne Lodge No. 282, Glencoe, accurately and impressively, so characteristic of the work of this lodge.

The third degree was conferred, 1st part by W. Bro. Currell and officers of Parthenon Lodge No. 267 in an excellent and impressive manner, while the

2nd part was exemplified by W. Bro. J. C. Tolmie and officers of Rose Lodge No. 500, Windsor, in a manner which was highly creditable to Rose Lodge and the district.

The Lodge of Instruction was attended by 400 brethren and representing twenty one of the twenty six lodges in the district, who returned to their homes feeling that it was good for them to have been there.

Official Visits

Sydenham Lodge No. 255, Dresden. I paid my official visit to this lodge Dec. 8th. I found the work fairly well exemplified, membership steadily increasing, assets one thousand dollars, liabilities nothing. Semi-Centennial Fund paid in full, attendance good, lodge room beautifully furnished, officers active, but need more practice, by-laws not revised to date, mode of balloting constitutional.

I instructed the deacons in the floor work of the various degrees.

Wor. Bro. Jeffs, the Wor. Master is full of enthusiasm and a fine brotherly spirit animates the brethren and with a little more care to detail in exemplification of the work, Sydenham Lodge will rank among the best lodges in Erie District No. 1. I am pleased to state that W. Bro. French the secretary has been able to straighten out many entanglements in the books and records and that they are now in a good healthy condition.

Star of the East Lodge No. 422, Bothwell. I paid my official visit to this lodge Jan. 22. I found the work excellent, membership steadily increasing, assets five hundred dollars, Semi-Centennial Fund not paid in full but I am pleased to state that the brethren of Star of the East have since paid their full allotment to this Fund, attendance good, lodge room well furnished, officers active, by-laws revised to date, mode of balloting constitutional, books in excellent condition.

W. Bro. Crouch, the W. M., and officers of Star of the East Lodge are to be congratulated upon their efforts. The work, a third degree, was exemplified

accurately and impressively, the candidate showed careful preparation. Peace and harmony exist. The secretary discharges the duties of that office with honor and regulation and the future prospects of this lodge are bright.

Rose Lodge No. 500, Windsor. I paid my official visit to this lodge, January 28th, 1913, when a third degree was exemplified. I found the work excellent, membership steadily increasing, assets \$400, attendance good, lodge room beautifully furnished, officers active, by-laws revised to date, mode of balloting constitutional, books and records kept carefully and accurately and a credit to the secretary.

Wor. Bro. Tolmie, the W. Master whom I had the pleasure of installing on Sept. 24th, 1912 is well fitted to uphold the dignity of the Craft and to enlighten the minds of his brethren. The officers and brethren are very enthusiastic and I am pleased to say that the work exemplified in this lodge is as near perfection as it is possible to get it.

Lorne Lodge No. 282, Glencoe. I visited this lodge officially February 20th, 1913. I found the work exemplified in an excellent manner, membership steadily increasing, assets \$750, Semi-Centennial Fund fully paid, attendance good, lodge room well furnished, officers active and enthusiastic, by-laws revised to date, mode of balloting constitutional, books well kept.

V. W. Bro. Huston and officers of this lodge deserve great praise for the manner in which they exemplify the work. I had the pleasure of installing the W. M. and investing the officers of this lodge for the ensuing year.

Parthenon Lodge No. 267, Chatham. I paid my official visit to this lodge on the 12th day of February, 1913. I found the work excellent, membership steadily increasing, Semi-Centennial Fund fully paid, assets \$1,000, attendance fair, lodge room beautifully furnished, officers active and energetic, by-laws revised to date and best in the district, mode of balloting constitutional, books and records well kept.

The P. Ms. take a deep interest in the affairs of this

lodge and shoulder a goodly share of the responsibilities of management. W. Bro. Draper has done much to place Parthenon Lodge in its present position. He takes great pride in instructing the brethren in Chatham. In an impressive manner W. Bro. Purrel and officers exemplified the Sublime degree. The music of the lodge quartette is a feature. "Parthenon is hard to beat."

Hammond Lodge No. 327, Wardsville. On February 25th, 1913, I paid my official visit to this lodge. I found the work exemplified in a manner which was not creditable to any Masonic lodge, Semi-Centennial Fund not fully paid, attendance poor, lodge room too small to permit good floor work. The W. M. and J. W. were the only officers present. By-laws not revised to date, books and records well kept by W. Bro. Dr. H. A. Wilson. In fact the work of the secretary was the only redeeming feature of Hammond Lodge, together with the lecture of the J. W.

This lodge which is now experiencing its state of depression needs a good active guiding hand and an active energetic set of officers to instill new life into the brethren together with a revival of interest among the P. Ms. of the lodge. I hope to see Hammond improve. Assets amount to over \$400. At the time of sending this report I am pleased to be able to say that "Hammond" has paid in full to the Semi-Centennial Fund.

Howard Lodge No. 391, Ridgetown. I visited this lodge Mar. 17th, 1913. I found the work beautifully exemplified, Semi-Centennial Fund paid in full, attendance fair, lodge room well furnished, officers active but need practice on floor work, by-laws not revised to date, books and records well kept by the secretary.

W. Bro. P. B. Robertson has revived the interest among the brethren of Howard Lodge and while it is not yet in as flourishing a condition as it ought to be I am pleased to report that Howard is progressing and that in the near future glowing reports will be forthcoming. If the P. Ms. are given something to do the interest among those who are the "backbone" of the lodge will be revived.

Naphtali No. 413. Tilbury. I paid my official visit to this lodge Mar. 18th. I found the work well exemplified, attendance good, lodge room beautifully furnished, officers and P. Ms. active and energetic, by-laws not revised to date, books and records well kept by the secretary, Semi-Centennial Fund—I found the brethren of Naphtali Lodge owed to this fund \$276.50, their membership in 1904 being 103 members. The brethren of Naphtali Lodge claimed that in 1904 their membership was not more than sixty, but as the secretary in 1904 and previous had not reported resignations and deaths and suspensions to the Grand Secretary, their membership on G. R. of C. was thereby vastly increased. I took this matter up with the M. W. the Grand Master through the Grand Secretary and their membership was adjusted and the assessment to the Semi-Centennial Fund was reduced to \$180. I am pleased to state that the Grand Secretary has received a check for \$147.50, the balance due. The Worshipful Master together with the P.Ms. deserve great credit in uniting to wipe off this balance which has been a "nightmare" to the brethren of Naphtali Lodge for years.

Xenophen Lodge No. 448. Wheatley. Officially visited this lodge March 20th, 1913. I found the attendance small it being the evening before Good Friday and unfortunately a great number of brethren were absent. An enjoyable evening was spent and I exemplified many points in the Deacon's work in the various degrees. The books and records are well kept by the secretary. Assets \$400. Semi-Centennial Fund fully paid, by-laws not revised to date, balloting constitutional, lodge room well furnished.

Great Western Lodge No. 47. Windsor. I was unable to visit this lodge officially on the date set, Mar. 27th. R. W. Bro. Sheldon kindly consented to act in my absence. He reported to me as follows: Work exemplified in an irreproachable manner. Semi-Centennial Fund paid in full, assets \$500, officers active, and energetic, by-laws revised to date, lodge room beautifully furnished, attendance large, 250 being present, books and records well kept by the secretary.

A large number of Past Masters interest them-

selves in the welfare of the Great Western Lodge and share in the responsibility of the management.

Pnyx Lodge No. 312, Wallaceburg. I visited Pnyx Lodge, April 14th, 1913. I found the work, a 1st degree, was well exemplified, Semi-Centennial Fund paid in full, assets \$900, no arrears of dues, room well furnished, officers very enthusiastic, attendance very large, books and records well kept.

W. Bro. Dundas and officers are to be complimented upon their work. The membership of this lodge is rapidly increasing, the additions being men of sterling character. The floor work could be improved upon.

Leamington Lodge No. 290, Leamington. I made my official visit to this lodge April 15th, 1913. I found the work, a first degree, fairly well exemplified, the floor work being sadly neglected; lodge room one of the best if not the best furnished in the district. By-laws need revising. Books and records are in capable hands. Semi-Centennial Fund fully paid, method of balloting constitutional.

While the work of the W. M. and officers was fairly well exemplified; the work on the floor was not what it ought to be. The good work of the W. M. and Wardens is often made to appear indifferent by the poor floor work of the Deacons. A little more practice and care to detail would place Leamington Lodge in an "enviable" position.

Central Lodge No. 402, Essex. I paid my official visit to this lodge, April 16th. I found the work, a 3rd degree, fairly well exemplified, lodge room well furnished, assets \$900, by-laws need revising badly, books and records well kept, Semi-Centennial Fund paid in full, method of balloting, constitutional.

A pleasant evening was spent. A little more practice in the lodge room and Central will rank with the best.

St. George's Lodge No. 41, Kingsville. I visited this lodge on April 17th. I found the work exemplified in an excellent manner, lodge room beautifully furnished, assets \$3,200, by-laws revised to date, books and

records well and neatly kept, Semi-Centennial Fund fully paid, method of balloting, constitutional.

The work of the W. M. and officers of St. George's Lodge could not be surpassed. The floor work was beautifully, gracefully and accurately performed and added much to the excellent work of the W. M. and officers. It has not been my pleasure to witness better work in Erie district. I am indeed extremely sorry to report the removal of R. W. Bro. Sheldon from this district. Erie district cannot afford to lose such a worthy brother. His guiding hand will long be in evidence in St. George's Lodge.

Parvain Lodge No. 395, Comber. On April 18th I drove to Comber thus completing a strenuous week. I found the work well exemplified. It would be hard to find three better officers in any lodge than the W. M., S. W. and J. W. Lodge room beautifully furnished, assets \$350, by-laws in a fairly creditable condition, Semi-Centennial Fund paid in full, method of balloting, constitutional, attendance fair.

The P.Ms. take an active interest in the welfare of this lodge and the flourishing and prosperous condition of Parvain to-day is no doubt due in a great measure to their enthusiasm. A pleasant evening was spent and many important points were discussed.

Windsor Lodge No. 403, Windsor. I visited this lodge April 25th, 1913. I found the work exemplified accurately and impressively, lodge room beautifully furnished and dedicated, attendance large, by-laws in a fairly healthy condition, Semi-Centennial Fund fully paid, method of balloting constitutional, books and records well kept.

The work in this lodge is beyond criticism. All of the officers are capable and energetic. All the P.Ms. take an active interest in the welfare of Windsor Lodge. A live membership of regular attenders is of great assistance to the officers of any lodge and Windsor No. 403 boasts of such a membership. Wor. Bro. Lynch is to be congratulated upon being deemed worthy to fill the Chair in the East and I assure the brethren of Windsor Lodge that I consider they have not misplaced their confidence.

Wellington Lodge No. 46, Chatham. I visited this lodge officially on April 28th. The attendance was small owing to the numerous attractions in the city that evening, but great should be the attraction that would take a brother from his mother lodge on a regular meeting night. W. Bro. Hicks and officers exemplified the sublime degree in a creditable manner, W. Bro. Musson assisting. The P. Ms. are willing to serve their lodge's interest on all occasions.

I found the lodge room beautifully furnished, Semi-Centennial Fund fully paid, by-laws in a fairly healthy condition, method of balloting constitutional, books and records carefully and neatly kept. W. Bro. Hicks and officers are to be complimented upon the flourishing condition of Wellington Lodge. Assets, \$1.250 of which \$800 is cash. Bro. Gregory, the secretary has only missed one meeting night in 20 years.

Rodney Lodge No. 411, Rodney. I visited this lodge May 14th. I found Rodney Lodge in anything but a flourishing condition. This lodge has a total membership of 52 members yet it has \$350 arrears.

Some brethren are permitted to go 10 and 12 years in arrears and yet nothing is done or has been done for years by the brethren of this lodge to remedy this state of affairs. I dwelt at great length upon this important matter as it will surely spell "ruin" for Rodney Lodge unless prompt action is taken by the brethren of the lodge. The W. M. admitted not having one practice since he was installed. He was scarcely able to open and close the lodge and I asked the Board of Installed Masters how they could conscientiously sign the report of the examining board as provided by Section 149 of the Constitution. The Semi-Centennial fund is not paid in full, the by-laws need revising to date, in fact there is room for an active energetic set of officers in Rodney Lodge. I hope the report of Rodney Lodge for the year 1913-1914 will be much more favorable than the one which I have given.

Highgate Lodge No. 336, Highgate. I visited this lodge, May 16th, 1913. I found the work fairly well exemplified, lodge room beautifully furnished, Semi-

Centennial Fund paid in full, by-laws need revising, books and records well and neatly kept, attendance large, officers enthusiastic and energetic, method of balloting constitutional. W. Bro. Beatty and officers showed that they have put forth all effort to accurately and impressively exemplify the work. I spent a very pleasant evening with the brethren of Highgate Lodge.

Kent Lodge No. 274, Blenheim. I visited this lodge on May 19th. I found a large number of brethren present, was received most cordially and witnessed the third degree exemplified by W. Bro. Holmes and officers to my entire satisfaction.

I found the Semi-Centennial Fund not fully paid but W. Bro. Von Gunton came to the rescue with a notice of motion to take the balance from the funds of the lodge and I have every reason to believe it will carry unanimously at the regular meeting in June. The brethren of Kent Lodge are to be congratulated upon their well furnished lodge room. The by-laws need revising, the books and records are well kept by the secretary. The amount of outstanding dues is practically nil, assets \$500, method of balloting, constitutional. No. 274 is one of the best in Erie District.

King Edward No. 488, Harrow. Visited this lodge May 20th. With the assistance of the P. Ms. the floor work in the various degrees was exemplified and the brethren asked many interesting questions. Great is the enthusiasm that prevails in King Edward Lodge. The lodge room is beautifully furnished, books and records are neatly kept, the officers are active, the P Ms take a deep interest in the welfare of the lodge and the membership is steadily increasing. The future prospects of King Edward Lodge are indeed bright. This lodge will soon be able to boast of having "assets."

Tecumseh Lodge No. 245, Thamesville. I visited this lodge May 26th, 1913. I found the work exemplified in a creditable manner, lodge room well furnished, dues well paid up, attendance fair, assets \$1,000, liabilities nil, by-laws revised to date, method of balloting constitutional, books and records well kept. I had the pleasure of presenting V. W. Bro. Pye, the secretary, with a P. M's. jewel earlier in the year which goes to

show the respect and esteem in which he is held. It is always a great pleasure to meet the brethren of Tecumseh Lodge in their own Masonic home. The lodge is in a prosperous condition and one of the best in the district.

Thistle Lodge No. 34, Amherstburg. I had the pleasure of visiting this lodge on June 10, 1913. I found the work excellently exemplified, Semi-Centennial Fund fully paid, lodge room beautifully furnished, officers active, by-laws revised to date, books and records well kept, assets \$1,000, mode of balloting constitutional. Thistle Lodge has enjoyed the reputation for many years of being one of the best lodges in the district. The P. Ms. take an active interest in the welfare of the lodge which no doubt accounts for its excellent standing. The W. M. and officers are to be complimented upon its success and flourishing condition.

McColl Lodge No. 386, West Lorne. Visited this lodge, June 17th. I found the work well exemplified, attendance large, Semi-Centennial fully paid, assets \$625, officers active and energetic, by-laws revised to date, books and records neatly kept, mode of balloting constitutional. McColl Lodge shows well the guiding hand of R. W. Bros. Milner and Webster. The P.Ms. take an active interest in McColl Lodge. R. W. Bro. Milner who very seldom misses a meeting was unable to be present. He had but a few days previous the misfortune to lose his companion in life. I know the district as a whole sympathize with him in his bereavement.

Century Lodge No. 458, Merlin. R. W. Bro. Sheldon visited this lodge for me on June 18th. He reported to me that the work was well exemplified and the books and records neatly kept. I hope the secretary will send the summons to my successor more regularly than he did to me. R. W. Bro. Sheldon reports the work of the junior officers as only fairly well done.

Florence Lodge No. 390, Florence. I visited this my Mother Lodge June 20th. I found the work well exemplified, Semi-Centennial Fund fully paid, attendance large, assets \$525, officers show a keen desire to

excell. by-laws revised to date, books and records neatly kept, mode of balloting constitutional. Florence Lodge can always boast of enthusiastic P.Ms. W. Bro. W. J. Bodkin who has been the "backbone" of this lodge for years still shows an active interest in the welfare of his mother lodge. The floor work cannot be excelled in the district. This lodge attended Divine Service June 22nd, when Rev. Bro. Tolmie of Windsor occupied the pulpit and gave the many brethren present a fine sermon.

It would be unkind were I not again to express my gratitude to the brethren of the various lodges for their courtesy and kindness to me. Everywhere I have visited the true Masonic brotherhood has been manifest and everywhere my criticisms have been received with the same Masonic spirit in which I gave them.

I have not in my reports of the condition of Masonry in the various lodges referred to the sumptuous banquets which I have had the pleasure to attend but I must say that the social side of Free Masonry has been most beautifully exemplified in every lodge in this district and I again thank the brethren for their hospitality. In conclusion let me say that while I have found the duties of D. D. G. M. somewhat arduous, I trust I have fulfilled them satisfactorily to the brethren and whatever my failings may have been, I have endeavored to do my best. The district is in a healthy prosperous and harmonious condition. The year just closed will long remain in my memory as one of the most instructive and happy periods of my life.

Fraternally submitted,

W. A. KELLY, D. D. G. M.

Erie District No. 1.

ST. CLAIR DISTRICT NO. 2

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

In presenting my report on the condition of Masonry in St. Clair District No. 2 for the past year, I must first express gratitude to the brethren for the honor they conferred on me in electing me to the honorable office of District Deputy Grand Master, and for the many kindnesses shown me throughout the district while performing my duty.

My first official duty was the appointment of a District Chaplain and Secretary. For Chaplain, I selected Bro. S. P. Irwin of Havelock Lodge No. 238, and for Secretary W. Bro. J. D. Livingstone of Forest Lodge No. 263.

I am pleased to be able to report that Masonry in this district is making sure progress, and that the lodges with very few exceptions are in a prosperous condition.

I had hoped to be able to report that all the lodges in the district would have their full quota to the Semi-Centennial Fund, but am sorry there are a few lodges yet who have not paid all, but I have every reason to believe that they will do so before long.

The annual Lodge of Instruction for this district was held under the auspices of Petrolia Lodge No. 194 on the 9th of October, 1912. The attendance was very gratifying, there being representatives from most of the lodges in the district. We were disappointed in not having the M. W. the Grand Master with us, he having a previous engagement.

The first degree was conferred by W. Bro. Bicknell and officers of Petrolia Lodge in an excellent manner. The second degree was conferred by W. Bro. Vail and officers of Leopold Lodge No. 397, Brigden in perfect form. W. Bro. T. Paul and officers of Burns Lodge

No. 153 conferred the third degree in a manner that delighted the brethren present. An hour was then spent in a discussion of various topics of Masonic work.

Visits

Oct. 22 I made my first official visit, to St. John's Lodge No. 81, Mount Brydges. There was a fair attendance of members present. Owing to trouble in the past I found a sharp division among the members of this lodge. W. Bro. Waters the present Master and the Secretary, Bro. West, were the only officers in their places. There was no work for the evening, nor had they any for some time. St. John's is a prosperous lodge financially, owning the building in which the lodge room is located, and entirely free from debt, their full quota of the S. C. Fund paid. I found the W. M. and Secretary very energetic and enthusiastic. I trust that harmony will soon prevail again.

Dufferin Lodge No. 364, Melbourne. I visited this lodge officially on Oct. 23, a fair number of brethren were present. W. Bro. Stephenson, the W. M. and officers conferred the second degree in an excellent manner. This lodge has made good progress during the year, and although small they are very hopeful. They expect before long to be able to pay their share of the S. C. Fund.

Ionic Lodge No. 328, Napier. I visited this lodge October 25. There was a very good attendance of the brethren present. The W. M. being unable to be present, W. Bro. Dowding assumed the chair and conducted the business of the lodge. W. Bro. Waddell then took the chair and with the assistance of the officers initiated a candidate in a perfect manner. I am pleased to report that Ionic Lodge is making very good progress.

Havelock Lodge No. 238, Watford. I visited this lodge Nov. 19. There was a good attendance of brethren present. W. Bro. Laird presiding, the second degree was conferred in a perfect manner by the officers of the lodge. The Secretary having just returned from the West the books were not in as good order as they should have been, but was promised they would be kept better in future. I also had the pleasure of in-

stalling the officers of Havelock Lodge on June 24, when a very pleasant evening was spent.

Alvinston Lodge No. 323, Alvinston. I visited Alvinston Lodge on Nov 21, there was a good attendance of brethren present. W. Bro. Middleton and officers conferred third degree in a very effective manner. Alvinston Lodge has one of the most up to date and best furnished lodge rooms in the district. This lodge has yet a portion of their quota of the S. C. Fund to pay, but they assured me that it would be reduced during the year, and I believe they have kept their promise.

Arkona Lodge No. 307, Arkona. I had the pleasure of visiting this lodge on Nov. 21. We received a hearty welcome from the efficient staff of officers, and a goodly number of brethren. The third degree was exemplified by the W. M., H. Hall in a very impressive and highly creditable manner assisted by his officers with exception of the S. W. who was unable to be present.

Tuscan Lodge No. 437, Sarnia. I had the pleasure of visiting Tuscan Lodge on Jan. 15, there was a very large attendance of members of the lodge, as well as a goodly number of visitors from the two sister lodges of the town. The first degree was conferred by W. Bro. Bates, ably assisted by his officers who were all in their places. This was the first meeting by the new officers, and it was a surprise that they so ably discharged the duties of their respective offices. Tuscan is one of the most progressive lodges in this district. I am pleased to report that the financial condition is excellent.

Burns Lodge No. 153, Wyoming. I had the pleasure of visiting this lodge January 16, there was a very good attendance of brethren present. W. Bro. J. D. Paul, ably assisted by his officers, conferred the second degree in a perfect manner. I am pleased to report that they had made all arrangements to pay the balance of their share of the S. C. Fund before Grand Lodge meets in July. I found that the dues were not well paid, but W. Bro. C. Culbert, the new Secretary, assured me that he would do what he could to have them all collected.

Cassia Lodge No. 116, Thedford. I visited this lodge January 20, and there was a very fair attendance of members. W. Bro. Dallas and officers were in their respective places, and conferred the third degree in a very satisfactory manner. This being their first meeting after installation they did their work very creditably and with a little practice will make very efficient officers.

Huron Lodge No. 392, Camlachie. I visited this lodge Jan. 22. There was a very good attendance of members and visitors present. There was no regular work, but W. Bro. W. E. Symington and officers exemplified the first degree on a substitute, in a very praiseworthy manner. I am pleased to report that at this meeting, the lodge passed a resolution to pay at once, the balance of their share of the S. C. Fund. A situation, which attracted my attention in this lodge was the fact of, three generations holding office, A. Trusler, Secretary, C. O. Trusler, P. D. D. G. M., and W. T. Trusler and W. A. Trusler, S. W. and J. W. respectively. I found the books well kept, and the lodge in good financial condition.

Victoria Lodge No. 56, Sarnia. I visited this lodge February 4. There was a large number of brethren present. W. Bro. A. B. Johnston, ably assisted by his officers, conferred the first degree in a perfect manner. The finances and standing of this lodge are in splendid shape.

Bismark Lodge No. 419, Sarnia. I paid my official visit to this lodge February 10, when I met a large number of brethren, also visitors from the two sister lodges of the town. W. Bro. A. B. Walsh conferred the first degree in a most efficient manner. I am very pleased to report that this lodge is making good progress. I was informed that they would reduce their remaining portion of the S. C. Fund, and that they expected to have it all paid within a short time.

Inwood Lodge U. D., Inwood. I visited this lodge February 17. There was a splendid attendance of very enthusiastic brethren. W. Bro. N. A. Campbell and officers, conferred the third degree in a very efficient manner. This lodge is prospering, being organ-

ized in May 1912, they have initiated a great many candidates, and I am pleased to report that they are candidates that will honor any lodge.

St. Clair Lodge No. 425, Sombra. I paid my official visit to this lodge February 18. A large number of brethren were present including W. Bro. Roach and all the officers except the Secretary, who was unwell. There was no regular work for the evening. The lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees in a very perfect manner. When a short time was spent in discussing topics of interest to masons, I was assured that St Clair Lodge would pay part at least of the remainder of their share of the S. C. Fund, and that before long they would pay the full amount.

Leopold Lodge No. 397, Brigden. I visited this lodge February 19. There was a good attendance of members. The regular candidate not being on hand, W. Bro. E. E. Vail and officers exemplified the third degree in a very effective manner. The Secretary has his books well kept, the dues well paid up.

Moore Lodge No. 294, Courtright. I visited this lodge on February 20. There was a fair attendance of the members. Wor. Master A. W. Kelly, ably assisted by his officers conferred the second degree in a manner that was above criticism. The Secretary was unable to be present, but he has his books in good shape, the dues well paid up. The lodge is prospering.

Petrolia Lodge No. 194 and Washington Lodge No 260, Petrolia. I visited these two lodges on February 26. There was a large attendance of members of both lodges, also visitors from surrounding lodges. W. M., R. L. Browning of Petrolia Lodge ably assisted by his officers conferred the second degree in a perfect manner. This being a joint meeting, Petrolia Lodge was closed and the officers of Washington Lodge assumed the chairs. W. M., L. Collier and officers conferred the third degree in a manner that was pleasing to all present. I am pleased to report that these two lodges are in a very flourishing condition, and that perfect harmony exists between them. I was very pleased to be informed by the officers of Petrolia Lodge that they had the receipt for the final payment of their share of the S. C. Fund.

Forest Lodge No. 263, Forest. I visited this my mother lodge March 19. There was only a fair attendance of members present. W. M. Janes and officers conferred the second degree in a fair manner. This lodge owes much of its success to the interest taken by the Past Masters, and also to the Secretary. The lodge is making steady progress.

Alexandra Lodge No. 158, Oil Springs. I visited this lodge March 27. There was a fair attendance present. W. M., J. A. Clements and officers conferred the first degree in almost perfect manner. I am sorry to report that W. Bro. W. S. Duggan who has held office of Secretary for the past fourteen years, felt compelled to resign owing to advancing age. Bro. Duggan was a faithful officer and will, no doubt be missed. This lodge is not financially strong, being burdened with debt on the building, in which the lodge room is located, and being forced to make considerable repairs. They could make no promise with regard to the S. C. Fund, in fact thought, owing to the position in which they are placed, that they should be relieved of at least a part of the amount.

Beaver Lodge No. 83, Strathroy. I visited this lodge April 25, accompanied by a number of brethren of Forest Lodge. W. Bro. A. P. Gundry ably assisted by his officers conferred the second degree in a truly faultless manner. This lodge has one of the best staffs of officers in the district. While they have many capable P. Ms. yet they feel the loss of R. W. Bro. Argue, who has moved to the west. I was very pleased to meet here, R. W. Bro. Rev. Kannawin, Grand Chaplain, who takes a very active interest in Masonry. I found this lodge in a very prosperous condition. They assured me that they would have the balance of their quota to the S. C. Fund paid before Grand Lodge meets this year.

In conclusion permit me to say, that I found the officers of every lodge in the district very desirous to have the work of the several degrees rendered perfectly, and that in accepting petitions for initiation close attention is being paid to the character and standing of applicant.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

Fraternally yours,

D. D. BRODIE, D. D. G. M.,
St. Clair District, No. 2

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

Table Shewing the Work Done in St. Clair District No. 2, from June 24th, 1912, to June 24th, 1913.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Mem- bership		Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year		F. C.	M. M.	Affiliations		Restorations		Resignations		Suspensions, other causes		Meet's held		Aver. atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 m'ths in arrears	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance
			Decrease during year	E. A.		Deceased	Regular			Emergency	Total																	
56	Victoria.....	Samia.....	233	12	15	11	10	4	4	1	3	10	8	18	29	86	54	29	340	25	Dec. 27, '12	Good	Excellent	Yes	Yes	\$1500 00		
81	St. Johns.....	Mount Brydges.....	90	1	10	11	2	3	3	1	1	14	1	15	18	10	00	18	60	00	Dec. 27, '12	Good	Fair	Yes	Yes	1000 00		
83	Beaver.....	Strathroy.....	132	12	46	2	2	2	3	1	1	12	5	17	30	20	00	6	200	00	Dec. 27, '12	Good	Excellent	Yes	Yes	300 00		
116	Cassini.....	Theford.....	46	2	3	2	2	1	1	1	9	1	10	11	10	00	52	00	10	52	00	Feb. 1913	Good	Good	Yes	Yes	300 00	
133	Burns.....	Weynong.....	108	4	6	6	6	1	3	2	1	12	8	19	15	10	00	20	101	05	Jan. 16, '13	Fairly G'd	Fair	Yes	Yes	1300 00		
158	Alexandra.....	Oil Springs.....	76	2	6	6	6	1	3	2	2	13	10	23	25	87	50	15	95	00	Dec. 28, '12	Good	Good	No	Yes	2800 00		
194	Petrolia.....	Petrolia.....	127	18	4	18	18	16	1	3	1	11	11	15	5	00	10	50	00	March	Good	Good	Yes	Yes	266 00			
235	Havelock.....	Watford.....	73	5	3	4	2	2	1	2	1	12	6	18	20	5	00	10	50	00	June 24, '13	Good	Good	Yes	Yes	200 00		
260	Washington.....	Petrolia.....	125	13	4	11	12	8	2	1	2	12	6	18	20	5	00	12	37	50	Dec. 31, '12	Good	Good	Yes	Yes	600 00		
263	Forest.....	Forest.....	82	5	7	2	4	3	2	4	1	13	3	16	31	5	00	17	65	00	Dec. 27, '12	Good	Good	Yes	Yes	200 00		
294	Moore.....	Courtright.....	61	4	1	4	3	4	1	1	1	10	10	10	15	17	65	00	7	65	00	July 2, '13	Good	Good	Yes	No	600 00	
337	Arkona.....	Arkona.....	42	4	2	1	5	4	1	2	1	12	12	12	12	20	00	2	6	00	Dec. 27, '12	Fair	Good	Yes	Yes	200 00		
333	Alvinston.....	Alvinston.....	70	4	5	4	3	1	1	1	12	12	15	14	11	7	00	8	24	00	Dec. 27, '12	Good	Good	Yes	Yes	500 00		
328	Ionie.....	Napier.....	47	5	2	5	4	3	1	1	1	12	7	14	11	4	00	11	70	00	Feb. 12, '13	Good	Good	No	Yes	200 00		
354	Dufferin.....	Melbourne.....	43	2	1	2	2	2	1	6	6	6	1	7	9	10	39	00	7	39	00	April 4, '13	Fair	Favorable	Yes	Yes	700 00	
392	Huron.....	Camlachie.....	66	2	1	2	2	2	1	1	1	12	2	14	18	35	00	7	70	00	Jan. 13, '13	Good	Good	Yes	Yes	Yes		
397	Leopold.....	Bridgden.....	63	3	3	3	4	7	1	1	14	14	20	24	70	00	24	70	00	Mar. 23, '12	Good	Good	Yes	Yes	100 00			
419	Bismark.....	Samia.....	69	1	6	4	3	2	1	6	1	9	9	11	22	15	49	00	Dec. 1912	Fair	Good	Yes	Yes	3100 00				
425	St. Clair.....	Sombra.....	85	5	6	4	1	1	1	1	4	11	5	16	18	5	00	15	49	00	Jan. 4, '13	Fair	Good	Yes	Yes	300 00		
437	Tuscan.....	Samia.....	219	13	3	12	23	16	1	3	1	10	11	21	27	32	183	00	Dec. 21, '12	Good	Good	Yes	Yes	350 00				
503	Inwood.....	Inwood.....	35	21	20	19	14	1	1	1	13	11	24	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	Dec. 21, '12	Good	Good	Yes	Yes	350 00		

LONDON DISTRICT NO. 3

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor to submit this my official report on the condition of Masonry in London District No. 3.

Permit me first to extend my sincerest gratitude to the brethren of London District for so kindly electing me to this high and honored position.

It has been my earnest endeavor to discharge my duties to the best of my ability and retain the confidence that the brethren so generously placed in me by entrusting to me the honor of representing the Most Worshipful in this district.

Before commencing my official visits I wrote to every P. D. D. G. M. in the district thanking them for the courtesy already shown me and expressing my desire that they accompany me on every occasion possible. To the P. D. D. G. Ms. the masters and brethren of the district I am deeply indebted for their many courtesies which leaves me to cherish one of the pleasantest years that Masonry has ever afforded me.

I visited each of the 26 lodges with one exception which R. W. Bro. Wallace and W. Bro. Carleton so kindly did for me.

It is a pleasure to state that I found the utmost harmony prevailing throughout the district and with the exception of but one or two lodges found the master and officers well skilled.

On all occasions I have endeavored to impress on the brethren the necessity and advantages of visiting sister lodges, exchanging visits as a lodge and putting on the work.

The dues in many lodges are only \$2.00 a year which, apart from the inequality of incidence, somewhat

curtails that charity which should be the predominant virtue of every Mason's heart.

I find from the fact that part of the lodges install their officers in June while others in January greatly inconveniences the D. D. G. M. in a district of the size of London.

The London brethren have had the honor of having with them this season the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Bro. Aubrey White and the Grand Lodge Officers on the occasion of the dedication of their new home, a Temple which the London brethren may well be proud of. A building in which they have done credit to themselves and a credit to the citizens of London in general.

Masonry is steadily progressing in this district not only in quantity but quality which should be the predominant feature in every candidate for its mysteries.

Fraternally submitted,

P. C. Banghart, D. D. G. M.
London District, No. 3.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
Table Shewing the Work Done in London District No. 3, from June 24th, 1912, to June 24th, 1913.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Mem- bers' ship		Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year		E. A.	F. C.	M. M.	Affiliations	Resignations	Suspensions, N. P. D.	Suspensions, other causes	Meet's held			Aver. atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 m'ths in arre'rs	Total of all arrears	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance				
			Decrease during year	Increase during year		Deceased	Regular								Emergency	Total														
20 St. Johns ..	London ..	London ..	292	24	24	18	22	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	8	12	11	23	72	240	00	5	78	00	Dec. 27	12	Good	Yes	Joint	
42 St. Georges ..	London ..	London ..	167	10	3	10	6	6	2	1	1	1	1	1	2	12	24	35	50	00	10	40	00	Dec. 27	12	Good	Yes	Joint		
44 St. Thomas ..	St. Thomas ..	St. Thomas ..	352	18	20	29	25	5	2	4	3	1	1	1	2	14	11	25	55	85	00	56	209	75	Dec. 27	12	Good	Yes	2000 Jt. with 302	
64 Kilwinning ..	London ..	London ..	238	8	16	13	10	3	2	7	2	1	1	1	4	11	34	40	93	00	1	.....	June 24	13	Good	Yes	Joint		
94 St. Marks ..	Port Stanley ..	Port Stanley ..	65	1	2	1	1	1	2	4	1	1	1	1	1	10	10	12	.....	4	12	00	Febr'y 13	13	Fair	Yes	250 00		
107 St. Pauls ..	Laurel ..	Laurel ..	84	11	110	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13	24	24	55	00	6	30	00	Dec. 27	12	Good	Yes	2000 00		
120 Warren ..	Fingal ..	Fingal ..	53	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	8	8	10	.....	21	66	00	June 24	13	Fair	No	.....		
140 Malahide ..	Aylmer ..	Aylmer ..	130	12	310	9	8	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	6	18	40	.....	4	1	20	Dec. 27	12	Good	Yes	1000 00	
171 Pr. of Wales ..	Lawrence Sta. ..	Lawrence Sta. ..	42	3	3	2	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	12	12	15	15	00	10	12	00	June 24	12	Good	Yes	800 00		
190 Belmont ..	Belmont ..	Belmont ..	80	4	1	6	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	14	30	.....	20	101	00	Dec. 27	12	Good	Yes	Jt. with city lod.		
195 Tuscan ..	London ..	London ..	120	8	1	7	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	11	12	23	41	20	1	17	50	Dec. 27	12	Good	Yes	Jt. with city lod.		
206 St. Johns ..	London ..	London ..	377	42	34	29	29	7	2	4	1	1	1	1	2	11	11	22	60	109	00	12	.....	Dec. 27	12	Good	Sp'dld	Yes Jt. with city lod.	
232 Cameron ..	Dutton ..	Dutton ..	81	10	7	6	5	3	2	3	1	1	1	1	1	14	2	16	17	20	00	19	97	00	Dec. 27	12	Good	Yes	300 00	
289 Dorie ..	Gobo ..	Gobo ..	67	11	7	10	10	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	13	13	15	.....	24	77	00	Dec. 27	12	Good	Yes	300 00		
300 Mt. Olivet ..	Phorndale ..	Phorndale ..	59	4	3	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	11	11	12	15	15	00	11	48	00	Dec. 27	12	Fair	Good	3000 00	
302 St. Davids ..	St. Thomas ..	St. Thomas ..	296	13	10	19	22	27	1	3	3	2	1	1	5	14	15	29	70	25	00	80	425	00	Dec. 27	12	Good	Yes	2000 Jt. with 44	
330 Corinthian ..	London ..	London ..	199	15	115	13	13	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	13	4	17	50	60	00	12	40	00	Dec. 27	12	Good	Yes	Joint	
344 Merrill ..	Dorchester ..	Dorchester ..	48	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	90	00	2	.....	Feb. 20	13	Good	Yes	350 00	
345 Nilestown ..	Nilestown ..	Nilestown ..	63	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	12	12	4	20	00	June 24	12	Good	Yes	500 00
358 Delaware Val.	Delaware ..	Delaware ..	67	4	1	4	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	30	00	36	108	00	Dec. 27	12	Good	Yes	900 00	
378 K.G. Solomon ..	London ..	London ..	222	29	4	29	31	12	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	12	24	60	130	50	.....	Dec. 27	12	Good	Yes	Joint		
379 Middlesex ..	Bryanston ..	Bryanston ..	45	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	12	11	13	11	14	50	00	January 13	13	Good	Yes	250 00		
380 Union ..	London ..	London ..	259	11	20	14	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	4	12	4	16	42	109	80	56	214	00	Dec. 27	12	Good	Yes	Joint
388 Henderson ..	Iderton ..	Iderton ..	45	3	5	3	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	50	00	6	49	00	.....	12	Good	Yes	250 00
394 K.G. Solomon ..	Thamesford ..	Thamesford ..	83	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	77	00	15	120	00	Dec. 27	12	Good	Yes	250 00	
399 Moffatt ..	Harrietsville ..	Harrietsville ..	52	5	1	5	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	93	00	Dec. 27	12	Good	Yes	250 00			

SOUTH HURON DISTRICT NO. 4

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor of presenting my report dealing with the conditions of Masonry in No. 4 district.

I wish to especially thank the brethren of this district for the great honor they have conferred upon me by unanimously electing me to this position, the highest and most honorable in the gift of the district, also to the M. W., the Grand Master in concurring with and confirming this election.

Visitations

Every lodge in the district has been visited and, with only two exceptions, I have not found it necessary to call emergency meetings for such official visit.

The hearty welcomes extended me on every occasion will not soon be forgotten, and were accepted in the name of the M. W., the Grand Master and on his behalf I thanked the brethren for this expression of obedience and affection for his person and exalted office.

Subjects Discussed at Visitations

In accordance with a circular letter issued in October the M. W., the Grand Master wished the following subjects to be presented to every lodge.

(a) The great care necessary to prevent unworthy persons gaining entrance into our order. This I endeavored to impress upon the brethren as earnestly as I could.

(b) The advisability of holding a Lodge of Instruction. In dealing with this recommendation I endeavored to establish a permanent basis upon which such Lodge of Instruction could be successfully financed and although I was unable to effect my object, I feel our efforts will bear fruit in the future.

(c) The charitable side of Masonry. This I held before the lodges in as strong and attractive manner as I could, and found it in every instance a timely and welcomed subject.

The Semi-Centennial Fund

I am pleased to be able to report that the apportionment of this very worthy fund assigned No. 4 district has been fully met. Every lodge having paid its quota in full.

Much of the credit of this success is due the efforts of my predecessors in office. The part played by the present incumbent of the office was small indeed, as but five lodges were in arrears, the total sum being \$337. I wish to thank these lodges for so nobly enabling me to make this satisfactory showing during my term of office.

Ritual

I observe a strong tendency toward a more uniform standard of work. Some old customs and wordings are still retained but there was no difficulty in having changes made when necessary. On the contrary there is a general desire to bring the ritual and customs of the order to a high standard of efficiency and uniformity. I concede that much of this good showing is due the good work done by P. D. D. G. Ms. I should like to see a committee of Grand Lodge appointed to consider what customs should be retained as good in themselves and what should be discarded as useless and sometimes injurious.

The Social Side of Masonry

This is an important feature in connection with Masonry, and should receive every encouragement from influential and older members. It presents a wholesome side of social life to the young member, surrounded as it is by the wise limitations of our constitution, and the minimizing of excess in all its forms. I find this social side of Masonry well observed in this district, and the nights spent around the festive board with my brethren will not soon be forgotten, while the friendship of many whom I met for the first time on such occasions I hope to retain through life.

I take this opportunity of extending to my brethren my hearty thanks for their hospitality on every occasion and the absence of discord, while in nearly every instance the addresses of the brethren were of a high order.

Clinton Lodge No. 84, Clinton. On Nov. 29th, 1912, I visited this lodge. The occasion was one of great interest, and considerable anxiety to me, it being my first official visit in connection with the district. Any timidity I may have felt was soon dispelled by the fine Masonic spirit displayed during the evening. The W. M., W. Bro. Gould and his officers exemplified the third degree. The work was well done, every officer being well up in his duties. The books in the hands of the Secretary are models of neatness and correctness. The lodge room is not consecrated but I understand this ceremony will be performed in the near future.

Stratford Lodge No. 332, Stratford. On December 9th, 1912, I visited this lodge. The Masonic home of the Stratford brethren is very complete, and this adds greatly to the very high degree of efficiency which characterizes the work. W. Bro. Dempsey is well up in his work and rules and governs his lodge in a most efficient and sympathetic manner. The most perfect harmony prevails between the two lodges of Stratford, a number of brethren of Tecumseh being present. The Secretary is regular and punctual in attendance, and painstaking in his work. No doubt much of the success of this lodge is due to his care and oversight and a bright future is before Stratford Lodge. The W. M. is surrounded by a fine body of young enthusiastic, and well skilled officers.

Zurich Lodge No. 224, Hensall. On the evening of Monday, December 23rd, I visited this lodge. As it was the Xmas holiday season a number of the brethren were absent, hence the attendance was not as large as it otherwise would have been. This lodge suffers like the majority of lodges in the smaller villages by removals and the scarcity of new material. W. Bro. Shepherd was in the chair and with his officers gave an exemplification of a degree. Bro. Jas. Bouthron, the father of the lodge is the Secretary, and although

well up in years. he attends to his duties with the ardor and ability of youth.

Doric Lodge No. 233, Parkhill. On January 21st., I visited Doric Lodge. There was a good attendance of members and I was accorded a very enthusiastic welcome. W. Bro. Fraser a time honored Mason held in the highest respect by his brethren was in the East, and with his officers performed their respective duties well. Bro. Gilbert the new Secretary is devoting his interests to the placing of the finances on a safe footing. Many large amounts in arrears have been collected and the outlook of the lodge is very bright.

Lebanon Forest Lodge No. 133, Exeter. On the evening of February 17th. I visited my home lodge. I was much honored by a fine attendance of the brethren of the lodge and also several visitors. Since coming to Exeter I have received nothing but kindness and consideration from my Masonic brethren and my official visit was a pleasant and auspicious occasion to myself personally. W. Bro. Seldon is a very efficient W. M. and every officer in the lodge performs his work, with great acceptance. The calibre of the present officers speaks well for the future. R. W. Bro. Dickson, P. D. D. G. M. continues to take a deep interest and rarely misses a meeting. The finances of this lodge are in an excellent condition.

Irving Lodge No. 154, Lucan. On the evening of February 20th. I visited this lodge. There was a splendid attendance of the brethren and a number of visiting brethren as well. W. Bro. Gibson has his work well in hand and is ably assisted by a promising body of young officers. R. W. Bro. Chris Hodgins, P. D. D. G. M. by his genial personality assists the brethren in every Masonic virtue. The Secretary was absent on the occasion, but the W. M. assured me the financial standing was good with bright prospects for the future.

Tecumseh Lodge No. 144, Stratford. On the evening of February 21st. I visited this, the banner lodge of the district. W. Bro. Forster makes an ideal W. M., combining the tact of governing with a well developed knowledge of the Craft and its work. He is ably assist-

ed by a very efficient staff of young enthusiastic officers. A very large attendance was present and we were favored with a splendid address on "Masonic Marks" by W. Bro. Campbell of Toronto. The lecture was replete with explanations of speculative, in its relationship to operative Masonry. This lodge maintains the truest traditions of Masonry and has among its members some of the best informed Masons of the district. The Secretary has the books in splendid condition, and discharges his duties with great thoroughness.

St. Marys Lodge No. 493, St. Marys. On the evening of February 23rd, I visited this, the youngest lodge in the district, and was agreeably surprised to find such a healthy vigorous organization. W. Bro. Copeland who is a splendid W. M. presides over his lodge with great ability and tact. The work of this lodge is splendidly performed, and the coming material is of the very best. I performed the pleasant duty of presenting V. W. Bro. Constable, the present efficient and courteous Secretary with a P.M.'s. jewel, the gift of the lodge. The most perfect harmony prevails between the two lodges in St. Marys with just enough healthy rivalry to keep both lodges up to a high standard of efficiency.

Britannia Lodge No. 170, Seaforth. On the evening of March 3rd, I visited this lodge, and received a very hearty welcome. The attendance was good. There is a fine Masonic spirit in this lodge, the most perfect harmony prevailing. The choral service was used for the first time with great effect; much credit is due W. Bro. Jackson for his interest in this department. W. Bro. McLean makes a very efficient W. M. and receives good support from his officers. The books are in splendid condition. The outlook of this lodge is very bright.

Maitland Lodge No. 33, Goderich. On the evening of March 11th, I visited this lodge. This lodge is one of the most enthusiastic in the district and W. Bro. Dunlop who holds the chair for the second year possesses a most efficient body of officers, every one of whom is able to perform his duties admirably. The

Secretary has his books in excellent form. A pathetic incident occurred during my visit when two stalwart brethren carried R. W. Bro. Radeliff, P. D. D. G. M., who is blind and helpless, into the lodge room and placed him in a seat of honor. This old stalwart has never missed a visit of a D. D. G. M. in 40 years. The new Masonic Temple which is nearing completion will greatly strengthen this already flourishing and progressive lodge. On Sunday, June 29th, I had the great honor of preaching the annual Masonic sermon at Divine Service in St. George's Church, Goderich, when over 100 brethren from Maitland and Morning Star Lodges were in attendance.

St. James Lodge No. 73, St. Marys. On the evening of April 7th, I visited this lodge, and was warmly welcomed by the members of this fine old lodge and also many representatives of St. Marys Lodge. Formerly a joint meeting was held by these lodges to receive the D. D. G. M. but this year I visited them separately and I think it is a wise change. W. Bro. Atkinson ably filled the chair, received good support from his officers and the work done was of a high order. A small balance was due the Semi-Centennial Fund and prompt action was taken to forward to Grand Lodge the full amount. I was much impressed by the Masonic spirit shown in this lodge, which numbers in its roll some of the finest Masons in the district. The outlook for Masonry is very bright in St. Marys.

Milverton Lodge No. 478, Milverton. On the evening of April 14th, I visited this lodge. The spring season being a busy one with the farmers, the attendance was not as large as it otherwise would have been. W. Bro. Hamilton was in the East and his work was performed in a most reverent and impressive manner. I was much impressed with the fine Masonic spirit pervading this lodge, which augurs well for its future. Bro. Zoeger presented a neatly kept set of books showing the lodge in a good financial position.

Blyth Lodge No. 303, Blyth. On the evening of April 15th, I paid my visit to this lodge, and received a very hearty enthusiastic welcome from a large attendance of brethren. W. Bro. Beacon has an able set of

officers and their work in opening and closing, also in the conferring of degrees, was very thorough. Bro. Hamilton in addition to his efficiency as a Secretary exercises a good influence on the lodge by his genial and winning personality. I found the finances in good condition, and bright prospects for the future of this flourishing lodge.

Morning Star Lodge No. 309, Carlow. On the evening of April 16th, I visited this lodge. The occasion will long remain in my memory as one of the most interesting visits of my term of office.

This lodge is unique as being a purely rural one, and the lodge room is well named as it commands a magnificent view of a wide stretch of fine country with the blue waters of Lake Huron stretching away in the distance. W. Bro. Weir is ably supported by a staff of young enthusiastic officers and the work done was splendid. W. Bro. Varcoe, the efficient Secretary is one of the fathers of the lodge. A fine fraternal spirit is maintained by the brethren of this and Maitland Lodge, Goderich, meeting alternately at installation. A large representation of the Goderich brethren being present on the occasion of my visit.

Elma Lodge No. 456, Monkton. On the evening of April 17th I visited this lodge and found a very fine body of men, considering the busy season, and also the fact that most of the members are farmers the attendance was good. W. Bro. Illman was in the East and conducted the work of the lodge in a very able manner, receiving good assistance from his officers. I found the books and finances in excellent condition.

New Dominion Lodge No. 205, New Hamburg. On the evening of April 24th, I visited this lodge. As it was an emergency meeting called for the purpose of the official visit of the D. D. G. M and followed only a few nights after their regular meeting the attendance was not large. Another reason being the excessive heat of the night. W. Bro. Callanan was in the East and performed his work in a very able manner. P. D. D. G. M., R. W. Bro. Holly makes a very careful and efficient Secretary. He keeps his books in good shape and the financial standing of the lodge is very hopeful.

Wilnot Lodge No. 318. On the evening of April 25th, I visited this lodge, and received a very hearty welcome. The W. M., W. Bro. Bechtel was in the East and performed his work of opening and closing and with his officers worked a degree. This lodge has had little work to do during the past year, but nevertheless the interest is sustained in a marked degree. P. D. D. G. M., R. W. Bro. Holwell was unable through illness to attend. W. Bro. Waugh, the Secretary has his books in very excellent shape.

Granton Lodge No. 483, Granton. On the evening of May 19th, I visited this lodge, and received a very warm welcome by a large representation of the brethren and visitors from Irving Lodge, Lacan. This young lodge is to be greatly congratulated upon the marked progress they have made in every department. They have now one of the finest lodge rooms in the district. The appointments are perfect, while the furnishings are new and correct. This fine new lodge room reflects great credit on the lodge. W. Bro. Powers makes a very efficient W. M. and is ably assisted by his officers. W. Bro. Dr. Lang has the books in splendid condition and is a great strength to the lodge personally.

Tudor Lodge No. 141, Mitchell. On the evening of May 20th, I visited this lodge, which was the last in connection with my visitation of the lodges of the district. There was a fairly good attendance considering the time of year, and we had a very interesting meeting. W. Bro. McDonald was in the East and performed his duties well. The officers were also well up in their work, and the degree conferred was intelligently given. There was an interesting discussion upon several matters of ritual and custom which was participated in by several of the brethren. The Secretary has his books in excellent condition.

And now in conclusion allow me once more to express my appreciation for the honor conferred upon me in my election, for the kindness and courtesy extended me by the individual lodges and last but not least the privileges and blessings of our ancient and honorable order.

Fraternally submitted,

D. WALTER COLLINS, D. D. G. M.

South Huron District, No. 4.

NORTH HURON DISTRICT NO. 5

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

In presenting my report on the condition of masonry in North Huron District No. 5, I desire to voice my appreciation of the honor conferred upon me by the brethren of the district, in selecting me as a representative of the most M. W., the Grand Master.

My duties have been most delightful, as I found during my visitations, nothing but the most cordial, courteous, enthusiastic fellowship and the greatest fidelity to our ancient and honorable institution, each lodge did its utmost to make my visit pleasant, all seeming to be actuated by the genuine spirit of masonry.

I visited each lodge at least once during my year and found the brethren well skilled in our mystic art, each and every lodge being able to do their work in a manner which could not help but leave a deep and lasting impress upon the candidates and members. The ancient usages and customs of our order are well preserved.

Without an exception the secretaries are of high calibre, keeping the books in good order and attending diligently to their clerical duties.

The equipments of the lodge rooms throughout are good and the environment of most of the lodge rooms is a Masonic inspiration.

All but three lodges in this district have contributed the quota asked for the Semi-Centennial Fund. I took this matter up privately with the leading spirits in each lodge thinking it was better than to have an annual harping in open lodge by the D. D. G. M. These lodges are arranging to pay the amount asked in instalments.

No lodge of instruction was held in this district

this year as past ones could not be said to have been highly successful, for the lodges who needed instruction the most found it difficult to attend and the railway service in our district makes it hard.

At each of the lodges I was right royally entertained at a banquet after the work in the lodge room. Most of these were of a high order, there being the full toast list responded to by highly educative and inspirational addresses.

VISITS

Northern Light Lodge, No. 93, Kincardine—I visited this lodge on May 27th. W. Bro. W. J. Morrison is W. M. and does his work well. The first degree was conferred in a most creditable manner. This lodge is in a very prosperous condition and good fellowship reigns supreme among its members. I doubt whether Masonry can be better exemplified than it is among the brethren in Northern Light Lodge. The secretary's books are kept in an excellent manner and show that the lodge is in a good financial standing. While there has been a large increase in membership, it might be particularly noted that last year six brethren, all prominent in the life of the community, were called by the gavel of death to the Grand Lodge above.

St. Lawrence Lodge, No. 131, Southampton. On May 20th, I visited St. Lawrence Lodge, and found the W. M., W. Bro. Geo. McCauley, was unavoidably absent on marine duty, but the I. P. M., W. Bro. A. Huber took the chair and was ably assisted by the wardens. Owing to Southampton being a lake port town and many of the brethren away on the boats, the attendance was not large but the smallness of numbers seemed to be made up by the true spirit of masonry, which prevailed. While the lodge room is well furnished, yet at this meeting a resolution was passed authorizing the re-furnishing of same. One thing which struck me forcibly here was the respect they pay to the older brethren in making them honorary life members. This lodge is in excellent condition and should continue to prosper. The work is of a high order.

Forest Lodge No. 162, Wroxeter. I visited this lodge on May 19th. W. Bro. D. D. Sanderson, the Master,

opened and closed in the three degrees and also conferred a third degree in a very able manner. He is well supported by efficient wardens and the secretary is tried and trusted. This lodge is prospering and is gaining ground financially. The outlook for Masonry in Wroxeter and vicinity is good.

Old Light Lodge No. 184, Lucknow. At the regular meeting April 17. I visited Old Light Lodge accompanied by a number of Wingham brethren. The W. M. Bro. T. G. Pritchard opened and closed in the three degrees and exemplified the E. A. degree. The officers have their work well in hand and they have an excellent secretary. This lodge is in good shape financially, harmony prevails, and the future is bright. While there is a membership of over 100, yet there were no deaths during the year.

Saugeen Lodge No. 197, Walkerton. I visited Saugeen Lodge on Mar. 11th. The W. M. C. S. Stephan opened and closed his lodge in the three degrees and conferred the sublime degree of M. M. in a manner that reflects great credit upon him and his subordinate officers. The spirit of Masonry is well exemplified here. Financially, this lodge is strong and there has been healthy progress. The secretary is efficient and keeps his books well.

Bernard Lodge No. 225 Listowel. On March 21st, I visited Bernard Lodge, W. Bro. R. A. Thompson, W. M., opened and closed in the three degrees and gave an initiation in good form. His junior officers are proper timber from which masters are made. This lodge has a membership of over 100 and there is a good attendance at regular meetings. They have an ideal secretary and prospects are good. Bernard Lodge is prospering and is strong financially.

Aldworth Lodge No. 235, Paisley. This lodge was visited April 18th. The W. M. Bro. Dr. C. J. F. Houston has wardens rarely equalled and all do their work well. They opened and closed in the various degrees and initiated a candidate in a most impressive manner. The secretary keeps his books without fault. This lodge two or three years ago was at a very low ebb, but is now one of the most prosperous in the district,

holding 23 meetings during the year and initiating twelve candidates.

Teeswater Lodge No. 276, Teeswater. This lodge was visited May 22nd. I found Teeswater Lodge all that could be desired. The W. M., W. W. Johnston and his officers opened and closed the various degrees in a prompt efficient manner and conferred a second degree well. The secretary is very competent and the present indicates good things for this lodge.

St. John's Lodge No. 284, Brussels. I visited this lodge on April 14th, at a regular meeting. Five candidates were given the F. C. degree. The W. M., Bro. Wm. Gillespie and his wardens did the work in fine form and opened and closed in the three degrees with great alacrity. The books are well and neatly kept by the secretary. This lodge is in good condition financially, and will no doubt continue to prosper.

Wingham Lodge No. 286, Wingham. On April 1st, I visited this lodge. W. Bro. Dr. R. C. Redmond is W. M., and he and his wardens do exceptionally good work. The floor work is almost perfect. There being no regular candidate, there was an exemplification of the first degree, which with the opening and closing in the various degrees, was done in a most prompt and impressive manner. The books are perfectly kept by the secretary, who keeps a fatherly watch over his flock. Wingham lodge is advancing under the guidance of their most excellent Master.

Fordwich Lodge No. 331, Fordwich. This lodge was visited on June 12th. The W. M., Bro. Peter Doig was absent owing to his wife's illness, and the chair was taken by W. Bro. Wm. McKee and there is none more skilled in Masonry than he. One candidate was raised to the sublime degree in a manner which reflected great credit upon the officers. While this lodge is located in a small village, yet, it is making advancement which might be envied by many of our large towns, the past year being exceptionally prosperous. The books are ably kept by the secretary, who is a pillar of the Craft.

Bruce Lodge No. 341, Tiverton. Bruce lodge No.

341 was visited by me at an emergency meeting on June 10th. I was accompanied by a large number of Kin-cardine brethren, these lodges inter-visiting and assisting each other a great deal. The W. M., Bro. L. McKinnon and his officers opened and closed in the three degrees without an error. The degree of E. A. was exemplified in good style. The secretary of the lodge keeps everything in good shape. This lodge is in a prosperous condition.

Maple Leaf Lodge No. 362, Tara. At a regular meeting on June 16th, I visited this lodge and found the W. M., Bro. J. F. Mutrie absent through illness, and the chair was taken by the I. P. M., W. Bro. J. McAsh, M.D., who with his officers opened and closed in the three degrees and conferred the sublime degree of a M. M. Each officer did his work well and this lodge is experiencing a good year. A stalwart of this lodge, the late W. Bro. Walter Sword was called above in January last. They have a most capable secretary, and harmony prevails throughout.

Forest Lodge No. 393, Chesley. This lodge was visited by me June 24th. The retiring W. M., W. S. Smith had good command of his work and was assisted by a senior and junior warden of marked efficiency. This being installation night, the officers were installed by R. W. Bro. W. T. Ross, who did the work in a most creditable manner, which will no doubt leave a deep impression on the minds of the newly elected as to their great responsibilities. The secretary keeps excellent record and the lodge is financially prosperous.

Cedar Lodge No. 396, Wiarton. I visited this lodge on June 24th. The W. M. being unavoidably absent, the chair was taken by I. P. M. Bro. Huether. The lodge was opened and closed in the various degrees and a candidate raised to the sublime degree of a M. M. Cedar is an exceptionally fine lodge and the work as put on could scarcely be excelled. The secretary is a very competent officer. This lodge is in good condition financially and during the past year had a fair growth, initiating five members. This lodge still continues to be one of the finest in the district.

Port Elgin Lodge No. 429, Port Elgin. Port Elgin

Lodge was visited by me at an emergency meeting held on June 11th. The W. M., Bro. R. C. Crawford opened and closed his lodge in the various degrees and conferred the degree of F. C. Truly the spirit of the Craft prevails here. The work was well done and I found the books as kept in ideal condition. Port Elgin lodge has had an exceptionally prosperous year and the outlook is very bright.

Moravian Lodge No. 431, Cargill. On May 23rd, I visited this lodge. The W. M. had been called away and the chair was taken by the well known pillar of Masonry here, I. P. M. Laughleen. There was a candidate initiated and the lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees, and the work was very well done. The secretary keeps the books in a highly creditable manner and the lodge is in a prosperous condition.

Hanover Lodge No. 432, Hanover. I visited this lodge at an emergency meeting held June 20th. The W. M., Bro. John Mills has his lodge in excellent condition. He has served as Master a number of years and has his work up well. As the night was warm we just opened and closed in the three degrees which was done exceptionally well. The secretary's books are well kept and there seems to be a steady normal growth and the proper spirit obtains.

Burns Lodge No. 436, Hepworth. Burns Lodge No. 436, was visited by me at an emergency meeting on June 25th. The W. M. Bro. Dr. Campbell, is the very embodiment of the principles of our noble craft. The lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees, faultlessly. The books are kept well, and while this lodge has not a large membership, yet it is working out the principles and tenets of Masonry in a manner creditable to the Craft. Its outlook is good.

In conclusion, I wish to say, that the outlook for Masonry in North Huron is very bright. At each meeting, I strove to point the brethren to the great riches in store for those who would study the history of Masonry, and every lodge agreed to make a start at the establishment of a Masonic library. Again thanking the brethren of North Huron for electing me as their

D. D. G. M. and trusting that the torch of Masonry in this district burns at least a little brighter than a year ago, I promise my heartiest support to my successor.

Fraternally submitted,

GEORGE SPOTTON, D.D. G.M:

North Huron District No. 5.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

Table Shewing the Work Done in North Huron District No. 5, from June 24th, 1912, to June 24th, 1913.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year	Mem- bers in	Degr's Conf'd	Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N. P. D.	Suspensions, other causes	Meet's held	Aver. atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 mths in arrears	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance						
						E. A.	F. C.	M. M.			Regular	Emergency	Total														
93	North'n Light	Kincardine	111	8	10	7	3	1	1	4	1	6	14	9	25	29	35	00	.....	Dec.	1912	Good	Good	Yes	1870 00	
131	St. Lawrence	Southampton	78	1	1	2	3	1	1	1	1	1	12	4	16	23	21	00	.....	Feb.	1913	Good	Good	Yes	2400 00	
162	Forest	Wroxeter	50	3	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	13	13	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Good	Fair	No	400 00
184	Old Light	Lacknow	109	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Good	Good	Yes	630 00
197	Saugeen	Walkerton	76	4	2	2	3	3	1	1	1	1	11	11	15	5	29	56	Dec.	1912	Good	Good	Yes	750 00			
225	Bernard	Listowel	105	1	1	6	4	5	1	4	1	2	15	5	16	18	10	00	9	95	00	Dec.	1912	Good	Good	Yes	300 00
235	Aldworth	Paisley	81	10	12	12	9	1	3	1	1	2	15	8	23	20	10	00	12	60	00	Dec.	1912	Good	Good	Yes	300 00
276	Teeswater	Teeswater	42	4	5	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	10	3	13	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Fair	Good	Yes	.....	
284	St. John's	Brussels	93	8	10	9	10	1	2	1	1	14	3	17	19	11	00	13	30	00	Dec.	1912	Good	Good	Yes	250 00	
286	Wingham	Wingham	100	1	1	1	1	1	4	1	1	11	11	16	10	00	15	52	50	Dec.	1912	Good	Fair	Yes	300 00		
331	Fordwich	Fordwich	51	9	1	8	4	1	1	1	1	11	11	18	30	00	9	40	00	Jan.	1913	Good	Good	Yes	200 00		
341	Bruce	Tiverton	71	8	1	8	7	1	1	1	1	11	11	13	20	10	00	40	180	00	Feb.	1913	Good	Bright	Yes	1500 00	
362	Maple Leaf	Tara	61	3	3	3	3	2	1	1	1	21	11	12	14	5	00	17	61	50	Dec.	1912	Good	Good	Yes	100 00	
393	Forest	Chesley	62	10	9	8	7	1	1	1	1	13	2	15	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Good	Good	Yes	500 00
396	Cedar	Warton	133	1	4	3	3	1	1	1	1	11	11	14	19	68	00	3	107	50	Dec.	1912	Good	Good	Yes	800 00	
429	Port Elgin	Port Elgin	63	6	5	7	3	1	1	3	1	21	5	17	14	35	00	1	12	00	Mar.	1913	Fair	Fair	Yes	350 00	
431	Moravian	Cargill	71	4	1	3	2	1	1	1	1	13	1	13	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Fair	Fair	Yes	Yes
432	Hanover	Hanover	58	05	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	3	13	19	25	00	.....	.....	.....	.....	Good	Fair	Yes	500 00
436	Burns	Hepworth	35	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13	2	15	11	50	00	4	36	40	June	1912	Good	Good	Yes	400 00	

WILSON DISTRICT NO 6

To the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario:

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I am pleased to present my official report on the condition of Masonry in Wilson District No. 6 for the past year.

My first official visit was paid to Thistle Lodge No. 250, Embro, on Sept. 26th. There was the usual small attendance of officers and a fair number of members. A second degree was conferred by W. Bro. Munroe in a very capable manner. The secretary has his books in splendid condition and the outlook for the lodge is more promising. The younger members do not assume enough of the responsibilities of the work. An effort was made to complete the S. C. Fund, and the balance has since been paid.

The next visit was made to Oriental Lodge No. 181, Pt. Burwell on Oct. 11th and as was to be expected in my old home town, I received a very warm welcome. A good number of the old guard was present, the men who have supported the lodge under adverse circumstance, for Oriental Lodge has twice been burned out and its district is only about a mile and half wide. W. Bro. G. Emery and his officers exemplified a part of the work and a very frank discussion of various points ensued, which proved very profitable. A portrait of the D. D. G. M. was presented and gratefully received by the lodge.

The dedication of Springfield Lodge No. 259, Springfield on Oct. 21st, was one of the most pleasant locals of the year. I was assisted by the following Grand Lodge Officers.

R. W. Bro. Roger Miller, G. J. W. and R. W. Bro. Naylor of Ingersoll, R. W. Bro. Jas. Ross, Waterford, R. W. Bro. Geo. Stewart and V. W. Bro. Geo. Muller, Springfield. Also W. B. J. Ferguson, Bellmont and Wor. F. P. Leake, Ingersoll. The brethren deserve to

be congratulated on having such a magnificent lodge room with entirely new furnishings. W. Bro. Awde and officers conferred the third degree in a most efficient manner. The two surviving Charter members were present, viz: W. Bro. C. T. Burdick, and W. Bro. J. B. Lucas. The Springfield Lodge has paid its quota to S. C. Fund, twice over, and with such a spirit it is no surprise to find such an enthusiastic and progressive lodge there.

It was a great pleasure for me to meet with the Officers and members of St. John's Lodge No. 104, Norwich, on Oct. 30th. Although I regretted the absence of the W. M., Bro. N. Haight on account of illness. His place was ably filled by the I. P. M., W. Bro. Dr. Moles who conferred the First Degree most satisfactorily. This lodge is noted in the district for its good work. The books were well kept, dues mostly paid up, and everything in a prosperous and satisfactory condition.

Blenheim Lodge No. 108, Princeton, was visited on Friday evening Nov. 1st. The W. M. Dr. Sutherland conferred the second degree in a manner beyond criticism and was well assisted by his officers. I have already noticed some variety in giving the P. S. of this degree and the Grand Lodge officers should agree as to the proper method of giving it. The enthusiasm of Masons in this district is well shown by those who drove from eight to twelve miles from Burford, Paris, Innerkip and Plattsville. I am sorry that it is necessary for me to express my disapproval of the lodge room but it certainly does not conform to our requirements.

I visited Frederick Lodge No. 217, Delhi, on Nov. 8th. The W. M. impressively exemplified the First degree, the work of the officers and subsequent discussions, showing that great interest is taken in having the work as perfect as possible. The books are well kept, and dues fairly well paid up. The dues have been raised in an endeavor to improve the financial condition of the lodge which is far from being satisfactory. A considerable balance is still due to the S. C. Fund and under present conditions it seems hard to devise any means to remove it.

My official visit to St. John's Lodge No. 82, Paris, was paid on Wednesday, Nov. 12th. W. M. W. J. Wylie conferred his first third degree on an exceptionally capable candidate, and deserves great credit for what he has accomplished. This lodge has an enviable reputation for its work, the quality of its members and the attachment of its P. Ms. The books of the lodge are in splendid condition. The members followed the Master's lead in contributing a generous sum to a piano fund.

Good weather and good roads brought out a good attendance at Scotland Lodge No. 193, Scotland, on Nov. 18. The brethren are very comfortably located above the schoolrooms. W. Bro. E. B. Muirhead and officers conferred the first degree in good style. The books are very neatly kept.

King Hiram Lodge, No. 78, Tillsonburg, was visited on Nov. 20th. This gave me an opportunity of renewing many acquaintances. This lodge possesses the finest lodge room in Wilson district and the work of the officers is quite in keeping with it. I never saw a more perfect exemplification of the third degree than that given by W. Bro. Hollier and his officers. They have a very efficient secretary. A pleasing feature of the evening was a presentation of gold to the J. Warden, Bro. McIntyre on the eve of his removal to the North West.

I visited Vienna Lodge No. 237, Vienna on Nov. 22nd. The attendance was a record one for this lodge. The second degree was conferred on a splendid candidate by W. Bro. Geo. Valler and officers. Some of our larger lodges might well emulate the example of Vienna Lodge, for it is impregnated with the best Masonic spirit and is in many respects a model lodge. It owns, not only its lodge building but also a barn where nearly a dozen horses can be comfortably stabled. The secretary's books are models of neatness and accuracy, and he exercises a careful and beneficial supervision over the lodge.

My official visit was paid to Vittoria Lodge No. 359, Vittoria on Nov. 29th. A goodly number of brethren were present to greet me including eight Past

Masters. To show their efficiency, the W. M. and officers, satisfactorily exemplified the second degree, which was followed by a most interesting discussion on various parts of the work in all degrees. The lodge is in good financial condition and owns a good building. The secretary is a faithful officer, having missed but two meetings, during his twelve years of office.

My visit to King Solomon's Lodge, No. 43, Woodstock, was paid on December, 3rd. The W. M. and officers gave a splendid exemplification of the first degree. A pleasing feature was the presentation of jewels to two of the oldest Past Masters. Eleven applications for initiation, were on file, and nine were balloted on. As this lodge is particularly zealous in securing new members, I cautioned them against carelessness in the application forms and told them of the Grand Master's instructions to me, to impress on them the vital importance of a strict scrutiny into the character of those who may desire to enter the Craft, because character is the main foundation of good Masons.

Burford Lodge No. 106 Burford was visited on December 6th. There was a small attendance as the night was unfavorable. The W. M.'s work in the first degree and the lecture and charge were given excellently. The financial condition of the lodge is very good although in some cases members in arrears are being carried too long. No organized effort seems to have been made to complete the S. C. Fund and as a result, there was still a balance of nearly \$150.00. I believe this lodge would improve if meetings were opened punctually and resident officers were secured for all the chairs.

Wilson Lodge, No. 113, Waterford did honor to Grand Lodge and to Wilson district in its reception of the D. D. G. M., on December 18th. This lodge under the able supervision of Past Masters is one of the best in our district. A splendid exemplification of the third degree was given by the W. M. and officers. This was the first time I had seen a literal representation of the ceremonies attending the inevitable hour and on the following evening the last. A gold-headed cane was presented to Rev. F. C. Elliott as he was leaving for Toronto.

Walsingham Lodge No. 174, Port Rowan, was visited on December, 19th. W. Bro. Frank Foster and officers worked the third degree very satisfactorily. A good discussion followed on various phases of the work. The books are well kept and finances in good condition.

The officers of Plattsville Lodge No. 178, Plattsville, were installed and invested by me on December 20th. The first degree was exemplified by the officers. The newly installed W. M. is thoroughly familiar with his work and this lodge should continue to prosper. I suggested the advisability of securing accommodation more in keeping with the dignity of Masonry. The secretary keeps the books and finances of the lodge in splendid condition. The proper use of the seal was referred to.

I paid my official visit to Erie Lodge No. 149, Port Dover, on December 23rd. The Lodge was opened and closed in all the degrees in excellent manner. A most regretable use of the ballot had deeply injured a distinguished Past Master, and I made a thorough examination into all the circumstances and tried to adjust matters satisfactorily and I hope successfully.

Emergent meetings at King Hiram Lodge No. 37 and St. John's Lodge No. 68, Ingersoll, were called for the purpose of a joint installation on December 26th. I was assisted by R. W. Bro. Roger Miller and Geo. Naylor and W. Bro. Currie. The lodges are to be congratulated on the splendid officers selected for the ensuing year and the prospects are that the same high standard of efficiency in work and quality of membership for which these lodges are noted will be maintained. The financial condition of the lodges is splendid and dues are well paid up. The auditor's reports presented were most satisfactory.

St. John's Night, December 27th, the occasion of my visit to Norfolk Lodge No. 10, Simcoe, was in many respects the most interesting night among my visits. I had the pleasure of installing the officers, assisted by R. Wor. Bro. Atkinson, W. Bros. Aiken, Porter and others. More than twenty P. Masters were present. I found the books and by-laws in good condition. This was a memorable night in Masonry in Simcoe.

My official visits were concluded on Jan. 2nd, when I was enthusiastically welcomed by my own lodge, Oxford, No. 76, Woodstock. R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, D. G. M. was expected to install the officers, but this became my pleasant duty, assisted by V. W. Bro. A. McGachie, R.W. Bro. J. W. Dutton, R. W. Bro. Jas. Ross, Waterford, and R. W. Bro. Geo. Naylor, Ingersoll. The newly installed officers conferred a first degree at the Lodge of Instruction, the following morning. The retiring Master, T. A. McCleneghan was presented with a beautiful P. M's jewel and the D. D. G. M. was given an address signed by the officers of the lodge, expressing their regret at his departure and appreciation of the manner in which he had discharged his duties. As this installation meeting was held in conjunction with the Lodge of Instruction, a large number of Masters and P. Masters were present from the district. One of my most pleasant Masonic reminiscences will be my association with the members of Oxford Lodge No. 76.

Lodge of Instruction

A Lodge of Instruction was held in Woodstock on Jan. 3rd. The lodge was opened at 10.30 a.m. by W. Bro. Harry Karn and officers of Oxford Lodge No. 76, who conferred the first degree in a highly creditable manner. W. Bro. Dr. Sutherland and the officers of Blenheim Lodge, exemplified the second degree most impressively. King Solomon's Lodge No. 43, Woodstock, under the direction of W. Bro. R. L. Revell, presented the third degree in a manner that elicited the warmest commendation. The proceedings showed an earnest desire for perfect work, as many questions were asked, and also a high degree of uniformity in the work. I trust that Wilson District will be guided by the high ideals which have been placed before it during the year. About a hundred and fifty Masons were visitors at this Lodge of Instruction. The lodge re-opened at 7.30 p.m. with the officers of King Hiram's Lodge, Ingersoll, in the chairs. The D. D. G. M. formally bade farewell to Wilson District before leaving for the West and extended his best wishes for continued prosperity. The address of R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson on Canadian Citizenship was listened to with much interest and was heartily applauded.

I am deeply grateful to the brethren of the district for bestowing upon me, their highest Masonic honor, and only regret that the acceptance in September of a position in the Western Provinces, made it necessary for me to sever my relations with them at the end of the year.

Although I visited each of the twenty-two lodges before I left the District, and also held a Lodge of Instruction, yet I felt that My work would have been more acceptable had I had a longer time for my visits.

Two more lodges have contributed their quota to the S. C. Fund, viz: Thistle Lodge, No. 259, Embro, and Oriental Lodge No. 81, Pt. Burwell. There are now but two lodges left in the delinquent class and one of these I regret to say has suffered severely from fire.

All the lodges had been dedicated when I completed my visits, Springfield Lodge being dedicated early in the year.

Our sympathy is extended to the members of Frederic Lodge, Delhi, and to Vienna Lodge, who have lost their lodge rooms by fire during the year.

From this great West land, I send my greetings to my brethren of the East, with my warmest thanks to those many friends in my district who made it possible for me to do something toward the promotion of a worthy ideal in Masonry.

Fraternally submitted,

A. W. CAMERON, D. D. G. M.

Wilson District No. 6
1912-13

APPENDIX TO THE REPORT OF THE D. D. G. M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

At the outset I wish to express to the most Worshipful, the Grand Master, my sincere thanks and appreciation for again honoring me by appointing me last January to act as D. D. G. M. in the absence of R. W. Bro. A. W. Cameron, who removed to Saskatoon.

I must confess that I have not found the work of acting D. D. G. M. very arduous owing to the fact that the D. D. G. M. made all his visits, held a Lodge of Instruction, in fact did everything that could possibly be done by any of his predecessors.

By request of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master I wrote the two delinquent lodges re S. C. B. Fund and up to date, I regret to say, that they are in about the same position as one year ago.

I am pleased to note that our D. D. G. M. reported the same as I did in 1910-11, against the lodge room at Princeton, the result has been so I am informed by the W. M., W. Bro. Dr. Sutherland, that they have taken in the Oddfellows Hall adjoining and made it into one room, this together with making some enclosures on the ground floor, which were absolutely necessary, I am told, will now meet all the requirements of Masonry and the exacting demands of our D. D. G. M. and incoming D. D. G. M. We have yet, I regret to say, one or two more lodge rooms that are eye sores.

The misuse of the black ball, that cowardly weapon of warfare, has been reported to me from two of our lodges, but there seems to be no remedy at present. In one case nearly sufficient evidence had been obtained to warrant an investigation, since then the trouble seems to have disappeared and harmony again reigns.

It is said that the Craft is becoming too popular, too many knocking at our portals and that not sufficient care is being exercised in the selection of the material. These same ideas prevailed, no doubt, fifty and one hundred years ago, and it is not probable that the institution is in any greater danger now than it was then, at the same time it can do no harm to call attention to the necessity of a careful selection of the candidates that offer; let the proposer impress on the applicant's mind, that we are Masons, not for what we may get out of it, because a great many join for that sole reason, but for what we may attain and do for others.

In conclusion I would suggest to the incoming D. D. G. M. the advisability of impressing on the differ-

ent lodges throughout the district the necessity of sending in their tabulated reports to the D. D. G. M. as soon after the 24th of June as possible, here it is the 8th of July and my report is being held up in waiting for the reports of some eight lodges, surely the secretaries are not so busy that they cannot spare fifteen minutes to make out the report and send it to the D. D. G. M. not later than the 28th of June, so that he can make out his report and send it in to the Grand Secretary by the 1st of July, the required time. It not only holds up the D. D. G. M's report but the report of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry as well. The same thing happened when I was in office in 1910-11, I received two reports while I was at Grand Lodge after writing the lodges some two or three times. If these secretaries are too busy to do the business of the lodge, why should they not be asked for their resignation, it would be better for the lodge, better for the D. D. G. M. and very much better for Grand Lodge.

Fraternally submitted,

GEORGE NAYLOR,

Acting D. D. G. M.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

Table Shewing the Work Done in Wilson District No. 6, from June 24th, 1912, to June 24th, 1913.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Members		Degr's Conf'd	Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N.P.D.	Suspensions, other causes	Meet's held			Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 m'ths in arrears	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance				
			Increase during year	Decrease during year							E. A.	F. C.	M. M.									Regular	Emergent	Total	Aver. atten'ce of members
10	Norfolk	Simcoe	136	4	3	4	1	1	1	1	13	2	15	25	12	25	00	Dec. 24	Good	Good	Yes	300 00			
27	King Hiram	Ingersoll	142	7	12	2	3	4	3	2	2	12	3	15	29	81	36	Dec. 27	Splend	Bright	Yes	800 00			
43	Kg. Solomon	Woodstock	278	23	14	20	25	22	3	6	13	23	36	40	135	60	300	Dec. 27	1st class	very g'd	Yes	1900 00			
68	St. John's	Ingersoll	104	2	2	2	2	2	3	1	2	12	1	13	20	10	40	00	January 13	Good	Good	Yes	800 00		
76	Oxford	Woodstock	229	23	18	16	11	5	2	1	2	13	18	31	45	98	25	19	Dec. 27	Good	Excel't	Yes	1500 00		
78	King Hiram	Windsorburg	178	12	5	7	8	5	4	1	3	13	13	18	90	60	17	June 25	Good	Good	No	800 00			
82	St. John's	Paris	105	10	5	9	8	5	1	1	2	12	6	18	21	10	64	05	Dec. 27	Good	Good	Yes	350 00		
104	St. John's	Norwich	103	1	1	1	6	5	1	1	1	11	11	21	27	00	62	28	Dec. 27	Good	Good	No	500 00		
196	Burford	Burford	72	3	3	3	1	1	1	3	1	12	1	13	11	24	180	00	June 24	Good	Fair	Yes	1400 00		
108	Blenheim	Princeton	48	3	3	3	4	3	1	2	1	1	13	5	18	6	84	00	Dec. 1912	Fair	Fair	Yes	200 00		
112	Wilson	Waterford	146	4	1	4	4	4	3	1	1	13	1	14	30	569	50	.....	Jan. 24	\$457 53	Excel't	Yes	650 00	
149	Erie	Port Dover	79	7	4	3	4	4	2	3	1	12	2	14	20	10	27	00	Feb. 22	Good	Bright	Yes	250 00		
174	Walsingham	Port Rowan	80	8	4	8	6	3	2	2	1	10	2	22	25	50	00	3	June 4	Good	Good	Yes	1200 00		
178	Plattsville	Plattsville	42	10	4	10	9	9	1	2	2	13	8	21	16	8	23	86	Jan. 6	13	1st class	not so far	250 00		
181	Oriental	Port Burwell	36	6	1	6	6	6	2	3	1	1	15	15	10	45	00	June 24	13	no debts	Good	1. 2	200 00	
193	Scotland	Scotland	84	11	3	10	10	11	1	1	1	2	12	5	17	24	51	00	Jan. 25	13	\$60 on hd	Good	1st 3	300 00	
217	Fredrick	Delhi	57	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	1	11	22	5	5	00	Feb. 28	13	Good	Good	Yes	
237	Vienna	Vienna	62	8	10	8	6	6	1	1	1	14	3	17	16	10	60	14	89	27	12	Good	Spl'did	Yes
250	Thistle	Embro	38	2	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	5	5	9	27	50	15	114	00	Dec. 27	12 m'b's ap	p'r to be	No
259	Springfield	Springfield	72	11	11	10	8	1	1	1	1	13	6	19	25	15	60	20	110	50	Dec. 1912	Good	A 1	Yes	500 00
261	Oak Branch	Innerkip	40	4	1	4	4	4	1	1	1	1	12	12	10	35	00	Jan. 1	13	Good	Good	Yes	1100 00	
359	Vittoria	Vittoria	56	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	12	15	10	30	00	Feb. 14	13	Good	Good	Yes

WELLINGTON DISTRICT NO. 7

To the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor to submit herewith my report upon the condition of Masonry in Wellington District, No. 7, for the past Masonic year, and in doing so I likewise extend my sincere thanks to the brethren of the district for the honor they have conferred on me, by electing me to the high and responsible position of D. D. G. M., but still more for the hearty and welcome reception extended to me throughout the district upon all of my official visits. I have endeavored to perform the duties of that high office to the best of my ability, and if I have failed in my Masonic duties I ask the brethren to give me the benefit of their Masonic charity.

I am pleased to be able to report that I have paid an official visit to each of the 21 lodges in the district and it is a pleasure to say that in no lodge have I found the work poorly, or even indifferently done; that while many excell. all are endeavoring to render the ritualistic part of our ceremonies in a manner commensurate with the beauty and the importance of the great truths therein contained.

Speed Lodge No. 180, Guelph. On February 4th. I paid my official visit and received a most cordial welcome. The work for the evening was the second degree which was done in a creditable manner by the W. M. and his officers. The attendance was good. This lodge is to be congratulated on having such an efficient secretary, his books are kept in a most creditable manner. The utmost harmony prevails in the sister lodges of the Royal City.

Clifford Lodge No. 315, Clifford. I visited this lodge on their regular night in January. The work of the evening being the initiation of a candidate which was ably done by the W. M. and his officers. The lecture in the South was given in a most impressive man-

ner. The books are well kept and the finances well looked after. This is one of the best lodges in the district.

St. Albans Lodge No. 200, Mt. Forest. At their regular meeting in February, I visited this lodge and was most cordially received by the brethren. I was much pleased to meet one of the oldest members of St. Albans Lodge in the person of Bro. Gow, who has lived past the allotted age of man, but continues to be one of the most regular attendants. The work of the evening was conferring the second degree, which was done in a faultless manner by the W. M., Bro. Taylor and his officers. The secretary's books show the result of much careful work, and the prospects of the lodge are of the very best.

Twin City Lodge, U. D., Berlin. Whereas an humble petition was presented from certain brethren in the city of Berlin in the county of Waterloo, praying for letters of dispensation to open a new lodge in that place, and the same being properly recommended by Grand River Lodge No. 151, Berlin, and after satisfying myself as to the advisability of establishing this new lodge, I forwarded the same with my recommendation to the M. W., the Grand Master, who was graciously pleased to grant the prayer of the petitioners and I was commanded by the M. W., the Grand Master to act as his deputy and open the same and accordingly on the 28th of March I attended at the aforesaid place and assisted by R. W. Bro. Yeman, and R. W. Bro. Houston, I had the honor of opening this new lodge to be known by the name of Twin City Lodge.

Galt Lodge No. 257, Galt, Ont. The date of my official visit to this lodge was December 31st. This being their annual Past Masters night, the chairs were occupied by Past Masters. W. Bro. Secord initiated a candidate in a faultless manner, with resourcefulness, loyalty and good taste. These were the points that most firmly fixed themselves on my mind as the central features evinced in this lodge, and as a consequence this lodge is in a healthy condition. The charge from the book of constitution merited the greatest praise. I would like to dwell upon the individual efforts of the choristers, but I recognize the necessity of brevity in

this report. I brought away most pleasing memories of the manner in which the beautiful ritual was rendered throughout.

Alma Lodge No. 72, Galt. My predecessors will recollect the enthusiastic way in which this progressive lodge does its work. My official visit on Wednesday evening the 12th of December was a pleasant one. It being their Past Masters night the chairs were all filled with Past Masters. R. W. Bro. Cowan, a Past District Deputy Grand Master, in the East conferred the third degree in a most impressive manner. The original and varied programme of entertainment was a pleasing as well as unique feature of the evening. This lodge has musicians and vocalists who are a credit to it. The singing of the quartette in the lodge room delighted everyone.

Conestogo Lodge No. 295, Drayton, Ont. My official visit to this lodge was on October 22nd, 1912. I was accorded a very warm reception by a large number of members and visitors. At my request the second degree was exemplified by the W. M., Dr. Flath in a most creditable manner. The work of the Wardens was very good. The efficient secretary's books are well kept, neat and clean, and the dues are well paid up.

Durham Lodge No. 306, Durham, Ont. On October 8th, 1912, I visited Durham Lodge No. 306, Durham. No candidate presenting, the Worshipful Master opened and closed the lodge in the several degrees. The want of candidates during the past year has had the effect of reducing the attendance, but hope for better results during the coming year. Books are in excellent condition and dues well looked after.

Prince Arthur Lodge No. 334, Arthur. My official visit was made to this, my mother lodge on March 18th. The work of the evening was the second degree. The W. M. does not appear to get the support from his officers which he should. Very often the brethren forget that they themselves placed the Master in that honorable position and it is only with their support that he can faithfully discharge the duties of his office. The fees are well collected and the finances in a healthy condition.

New Hope Lodge No. 279, Hespeler. I paid my official visit to this lodge February 12th, and was royally received by the W. M. and officers of the lodge. There being no work on, at my request the lodge was opened and closed in the several degrees in a most creditable manner. The proper Masonic spirit appears to prevail among the brethren of Hespeler and when they get settled in their new comfortable quarters along with the aggressiveness of their secretary, they will continue as they have in the past to be one of the brightest gems in the district. I again visited New Hope Lodge on March 26th, for the purpose of dedicating their new rooms, which are large and beautifully furnished. There was a good attendance of members, also a large number of visiting brethren from Guelph, Preston, Galt and Berlin. A pleasing feature of the evening was the presence of R. W. Bro. R. L. Gunn of Hamilton, who spoke very forcibly on the question of benevolence, and his words were warmly received.

Harriston Lodge No. 262, Harriston. I visited this lodge on February 10th, the work of the evening being the first degree. The W. M. did his work in a most impressive manner. This lodge has a splendid secretary, his books are well kept and the dues well looked after and collected. I had the pleasure of meeting R. W. Bro. Spotton, District Deputy Grand Master, North Huron No. 5, who added much to the enjoyment of the evening. I left the brethren of Harriston with a deep feeling of respect for the good work they are doing and feel confident that the future will see a marked advancement.

Ayr Lodge No. 172, Ayr. I visited this lodge on the 27th of March, the brethren kindly holding a special meeting for the purpose. There was a fairly good attendance of members, as well as a number of visitors. There being no regular work on, the W. M. opened and closed the lodge in the three degrees, this lodge is in a very healthy condition, although they have not had a candidate for initiation for some time. R. W. Bro. Jardine P. D. D. G. M. was present and added to the pleasure of the evening.

Scott Lodge No. 421, Grand Valley. I visited this

lodge officially February 17th. There was a large attendance of brethren. W. Bro. James Reith was in the East, where he proved himself well qualified for the position. The work of the evening was that of the first degree which was done very satisfactorily, the support of the officers being excellent. The lodge is harmonious and prosperous and is to be congratulated on having an efficient secretary.

Mercer Lodge No. 347, Fergus. I visited this lodge on March 7th. The attendance was good, notwithstanding the disagreeable weather, and the work of passing was well done, and fully up to the high record of this lodge. The officers are well up in their work, and enthusiastic in the welfare of the lodge. The books under the care of their excellent secretary, are models of neatness, and the dues are well looked after. Mercer Lodge is in a prosperous condition and plenty of good material coming in.

Irvine Lodge No. 203, Elora. My first official visit to this lodge was made at a regular meeting held September 20th, 1912. W. Bro. Brawley, W. M. in the chair. The lodge was opened in the three degrees, then reduced to the first degree, when the W. M. and officers of Conestogo Lodge No. 295, Drayton took the chairs and conferred the first degree in a most impressive manner. Irvine Lodge has always prided itself upon its exactitude in observing the ancient landmarks and the present standard of work will be maintained. I also wish to congratulate Irvine Lodge on having an efficient secretary. The books of the lodge are well kept.

Wellington Lodge No. 271, Erin. I visited this lodge on February 20th. The W. M., Bro. Leitch was in the East and conferred the second degree in good form, although some of the officers did not give him the support which they should have done. However I think the reason is want of practice and doubtless in the near future they will be corrected. This is the only lodge in the district which has not paid their full quota of Semi-Centennial Fund, but after talking the matter over with them, they passed a resolution in open lodge authorizing the payment in full, which I was very thankful for.

Waverly Lodge No. 361, Guelph. I visited this lodge January 27th, with the regular attendance large. W. Bro. R. W. Wade, W. M. This lodge is in a most flourishing condition. The finances are in a healthy shape, the officers are thorough, and the Past Masters efficient, zealous and enthusiastic. Harmony prevails in a marked degree. The work of the evening was a first degree which was put on in a faultless manner.

Blair Lodge No. 314, Palmerston. I visited this lodge on February 21st. There was a very fair attendance although some of the officers were absent. The W. M., Bro. McEwing, initiated a candidate in a faultless manner. The books are well looked after, dues fairly well collected and harmony seems to prevail amongst the brethren. This lodge has bright prospects.

Harris Lodge No. 216, Orangeville. My official visit was made to this lodge February 18th. There was a good attendance of members, and the work of the evening was done in a creditable manner by the W. M., Bro. J. B. Adamson and his officers. The secretary's books are clean and neat, dues well paid.

Preston Lodge No. 297, Preston. I visited Preston Lodge on February 14th. There was a large number of brethren present. I was received with the usual formalities. The W. M., Bro. D. W. Johnson was in the chair. A candidate was passed to the second degree in a most impressive manner. The support of the wardens and junior officers was good. The books are well kept and dues well paid up. Preston Lodge is doing good work and has a bright future.

Grand River Lodge No. 151, Berlin. I visited this lodge Feb. 11, it being their regular night. I was heartily welcomed by the brethren. The W. M. being unavoidably called out of town, the chair was taken by W. Bro. O. Lohead, I. P. M. A candidate for advancement was examined as to his proficiency in the first degree, and was found well skilled. The lodge was then opened in the F. C. degree and the candidate passed in a most creditable manner. Too much cannot be said on behalf of the zeal and energy displayed by the secretary, and I cannot but express the hope that he

may be long spared to engage in the good work. There was a large attendance of members and a most enjoyable evening was spent.

Lodge of Instruction

Through the courtesy of Harris Lodge, I was enabled to hold a Lodge of Instruction at Orangeville, on April 8th. I was disappointed that more of the brethren did not avail themselves of the opportunity of attending. The Entered Apprentice degree was worked by the W. M. and officers of Mercer Lodge, Fergus. The Fellowcraft degree by the W. M. and officers of Scott Lodge, Grand Valley, and the third degree by the W. M. and officers of Harris Lodge, Orangeville. The ceremony in each case was admirably rendered, and the lodges concerned were complimented on their excellent work. At the close of each degree questions thereon were submitted to and answered by a committee, composed of R. W. Bro. Irvine of Harris Lodge, Orangeville and W. Bro. Day of Waverly Lodge, Guelph. The brethren of Harris Lodge were, on this occasion as well as former ones, unremitting in their efforts to render the occasion an enjoyable one.

Guelph Lodge No. 258, Guelph. On the regular meeting night of this lodge, January 14th, I paid my official visit, the W. M., Bro. W. J. Kilgour in the chair. The first degree was conferred by the W. M. accurately and impressively with suitable musical accompaniment. The work of the Wardens and other officers was creditable, and the floor work executed with due attention to detail. The lodge has an efficient Secretary, and his books are neatly and accurately kept. This lodge has a healthy treasury, active and increasing membership, principally young men, good average attendance, prompt and accurate attention to its business and ceremonial work so that there is little doubt that prosperity will continue.

In conclusion I gratefully acknowledge the honor conferred upon my mother lodge and on me in my unanimous election to the high office of D. D. G. M., and I desire to express my heartfelt thanks for the uniform courtesy and kindness of which I have been the happy recipient, and I surrender the gavel of office with min-

gled gladness and regret; the former because I feel I am able to transmit to my successor a very satisfactory state of craft affairs in this large and influential district, the latter because of this official parting with my brethren at whose hands I have received many acts of kindness, so many words of cheer and comfort, and for my successor in this sacred trust I bespeak a repetition of what has been extended to me.

Fraternally submitted,

T. RAFTER, D. D. G. M.,
Wellington District No. 7.

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

Table Shewing Work Done in Wellington District No. 7, from June 24th, 1912, to June 24th, 1913.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Mem- bers' Up		Degr's Conf'd		Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year		Decrease during year		E. A.	F. C.	M. M.	Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N. P. M.	Suspended, other causes	Meet's held			Aver. atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 mths in arrears	Total of all arrears	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance
			Regular	Emergency	Total	Regular		Emergency	Total																						
72 Alma	Galt	175	51	5	7	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	June 1913	Good	Good	Yes	Jointly		
151 Grand River	Berlin	206	17	17	12	11	11	3	12	2	8	2	2	11	7	18	35	171	50	63	00	Dec. 27, 12	Good	Good	Yes	2500 00				
172 Ayr	Ayr	45	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	10	12	10	12	12	00	June 24	Good	Fair	Yes	700 00				
180 Speed	Guelph	126	20	4	16	15	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13	6	19	22	80	00	78	00	June 24, 12	Good	Good	Yes	41, 1000			
200 St. Alban's	St. Forest	81	6	9	5	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13	3	19	22	15	00	150	00	Jan. 19, 13	Good	Good	Yes	400 00			
203 Irvine	Elora	93	7	3	7	6	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	8	13	15	75	00	23	88	00	Jan. 19, 13	Good	Excellent	Yes	Yes		
216 Harris	Orangeville	161	14	16	12	10	11	2	13	4	23	4	17	23	4	17	38	35	00	13	50	00	Dec. 27, 12	Good	Good	Yes	Jointly			
257 Galt	Galt	199	2	12	7	7	1	1	6	6	1	1	1	1	11	9	14	23	57	70	00	Dec. 24, 12	Good	Good	Yes	Jointly				
258 Guelph	Guelph	120	3	6	6	6	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	3	13	22	24	50	26	95	00	June 24, 13	Fair	Good	Yes	500 00		
262 Harriston	Harriston	96	1	2	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9	9	14	35	00	12	75	00	Dec. 30, 12	Fair	Good	Yes	Yes		
271 Wellington	Erin	65	4	2	2	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	78	50	00	June 24, 12	Good	Good	Yes	400 00		
279 New Hope	Hesper	95	7	7	4	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	18	00	Dec. 27, 12	Fairly gd	Good	Yes	200 00			
285 Conestogo	Drayton	71	7	3	7	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	14	3	17	19	40	00	3	18	00	Dec. 30, 12	Good	Good	Yes	800 00	
297 Preston	Preston	65	2	14	2	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	3	13	18	1	1	00	6	35	00	Dec. 1913	Good	Good	Yes	500 00	
306 Durham	Durham	59	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13	13	12	1	1	1	30	00	00	Dec. 1912	Good	Good	Yes	500 00		
314 Blair	Palmerston	98	10	3	4	3	4	10	1	2	1	2	2	2	12	12	12	30	00	11	45	00	00	June 24, 13	Good	Fair	Yes	Yes		
315 Clifford	Clifford	65	1	3	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	10	23	1	1	1	192	00	00	Jan. 3, 13	Good	Fair	Yes	Yes		
324 Prince Arthur	Arthur	65	4	4	3	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	11	3	13	19	10	00	41	00	00	Jan. 4, 13	Good	Fair	Yes	Yes		
347 Mercer	Perkasie	74	6	1	5	5	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	3	13	19	11	80	00	00	Jan. 4, 13	Good	Good	Yes	.....		
361 Waverley	Guelph	217	35	5	26	24	25	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	8	76	45	00	Dec. 12	Good	Good	Yes	1500 00		
421 Scott	Grand Valley	90	10	5	1	2	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	9	4	13	14	20	00	52	00	00	January 5	Good	Good	Yes	600 00		
D/Twin City	Berlin	46	46	7	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	2	5	20	1	1	00	00	00	00	00	Good	Good	Yes	(sh) lease	

HAMILTON DISTRICT NO. 8

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in
the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I beg to present to you my official report on the
condition of Masonry in the Hamilton District No. 8,
for the past Masonic year.

I wish to thank my brethren for having elected me
to the distinguished office of District Deputy Grand
Master, an honor which I greatly appreciate. I would
also express my gratitude to W. Bro. Ernest E. Linger,
my District Secretary, for the zeal which he has shown
in the performance of the duties of his office. He not
only accompanied me on nearly every one of my of-
ficial visits but by his courtesy and tact he helped to
make these visits extremely pleasant. He is an ideal
district secretary.

I officially visited every lodge in the district, many
of them two or three times. Masonic progress was
marked all along the line. It gives me great pleasure
to announce that every lodge in this district, which
was in existence at the time the Semi-Centennial Fund
was instituted, has paid its full quota thereto. I think
I am safe in saying that Masonic ideals have never been
on a higher plane among the brethren of this district
than they are at the present time. I cannot refrain
from saying that I have as a result of my Masonic visits
throughout the district an even higher opinion of the
earnestness of the brethren than I had at the time of
my election.

Without mentioning any names, in case I should
omit some inadvertently, I can say that I have had
the support of all Masons, irrespective of Masonic rank,
in making my official visits both pleasant and profit-
able to myself and to the brethren of the district.

There are now twenty three warranted lodges in
this district and four lodges under dispensation. So
large a district is very heavy work for one man.

One of the great weaknesses of the country lodges was the lack of punctuality with which the lodge was opened, in one instance it being nine o'clock before the officers arrived. At a number of meetings I considered it my duty to call attention to the unnecessarily large amount of unpaid dues. In one or two instances there was a slight lack of Masonic furniture which was immediately supplied when the attention of the lodge was called to it.

I have had the honor of instituting three new lodges by direction of the M. W., the Grand Master, namely Ozias Lodge, Brantford, Corinthian Lodge, Hamilton and Reba Lodge, Brantford.

On the 24th of April a Lodge of Instruction was held by the sanction of Acacia Lodge No. 61, and by virtue of a dispensation granted by the M. W., the Grand Master in the Masonic Hall, Hamilton. The brethren enjoyed the presence of M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, the Grand Master. Work was exemplified in the first degree by the officers of Doric Lodge No. 382, Hamilton, in the second degree by the officers of Temple Lodge, 324, Hamilton, and in the third degree by the officers of Doric Lodge No. 121 of Brantford. The meeting was in every way a great success.

Official Visits

Harmony Lodge No. 57, Binbrook. I visited this lodge September 25th, 1912. There were no candidates for any degrees. I, therefore, had the officers open and close the lodge in the three degrees. The work was efficiently done. This is a good lodge with a fine set of officers.

Electric Lodge No. 495, Hamilton. I paid my official visit to this lodge October 16th, 1912. I found it in a very flourishing condition. After the election of officers the first degree was conferred in a capital manner. There was a large gathering of the brethren.

Waterdown Lodge No. 357, Millgrove. I paid my official visit to this lodge November 19th, 1912. The officers conferred the first degree in an efficient manner. The junior warden's lecture was especially notable.

Temple Lodge No. 324, Hamilton. I visited this lodge December 10th, 1912. The officers had intended to confer the first degree but as one hour and ten minutes was consumed in balloting for candidates and nearly another hour in the election of officers, the degree was not exemplified. This lodge is unfortunate in not having the support of the Past Masters. There is a lack of "esprit de corps" amongst the Past Masters. This handicaps the officers very much.

Acacia Lodge No. 61, Hamilton. This lodge I visited December 13th, 1912, and conducted the election of officers. It is in every way in a flourishing condition. There was a large turnout and the best of fraternal feeling was exhibited.

Seymour Lodge No. 272, Ancaster. I visited this lodge December 17th, 1912. The first degree was conferred in only a fair manner but the officers appeared to be willing to learn and to perfect themselves.

Burlington Lodge No. 165, Burlington. I visited this lodge December 18th, 1912 and conducted the election of officers. This lodge is in a very flourishing condition and enjoys the advantage of having a very capable set of officers.

St. Johns Lodge No. 40, Hamilton. I visited this lodge December 19th, 1912, and conducted the election of officers. This fine lodge still preserves its best traditions and is doing good Masonic work.

Strict Observance Lodge No. 27, Hamilton. I visited this lodge December 20th, 1912 and conducted the election of officers. This lodge is at high water mark Masonically. There was a splendid meeting.

Dundurn Lodge No. 475, Hamilton. I visited this lodge December 21st, 1912. This is one of the young lodges of the city and it is doing capital work. As I conducted the election of officers no degrees were conferred. We had a splendid meeting.

Wentworth Lodge No. 166, Stoney Creek. I visited this lodge December 23rd, 1912. I conducted the election of officers. There was no work. We had a capital meeting. This lodge, however, suffers from a great number of Past Masters, who are non-residents.

St. George Lodge No. 243. I visited this lodge December 27th, 1912. With the assistance of M. W. Bro. A. T. Freed, who is an honorary member of this lodge and W. Bro. E. E. Linger, District Secretary, I installed the officers. This is one of the lodges that is not very punctual, apparently, in commencing its work. This lack of punctuality must affect injuriously the attendance of the members.

Lynden Lodge U. D., Lynden. I visited this lodge January 22nd., 1913. The officers worked the first degree in a highly satisfactory manner. This lodge is certainly doing good work. At the banquet which followed the proceedings in the lodge room the ladies were present.

Brant Lodge No. 45, Brantford. I visited this lodge February 11th, 1913. On this evening the Doric Lodge No. 382, Hamilton, were the guests. The officers worked the first degree in a most efficient manner. This lodge is one of the Masonic pillars of the Hamilton District. I had the pleasure of installing the officers of this lodge, June 25th, 1913.

Credit Lodge No. 219, Georgetown. I visited this lodge February 14th, 1913, when the officers worked the third degree in a becoming manner. We had a most pleasant evening.

Doric Lodge No. 382, Hamilton. I visited this lodge February 17th, 1913. The officers worked the first degree in an exceptionally able manner. This is a fine lodge and perfect harmony prevails amongst all the members.

St. Andrew's Lodge No. 62, Caledonia. I visited this lodge February 19th, 1913. As there were no degrees to be conferred I had the officers open and close the lodge in the first, second and third degrees. They did this work in a very satisfactory manner.

Oakville Lodge No. 400, Oakville. I visited this lodge March 4th, 1913. The officers conferred the second degree very nicely.

Barton Lodge No. 6, Hamilton. I visited this lodge March 18th, 1913. It was Past Masters' night

and the third degree was exemplified by the Past Masters in a manner that pleased the brethren. I also attended and conducted the election of officers at the June meeting. This lodge has many fine Masonic traits.

Valley Lodge No. 100, Dundas. I visited this lodge March 10th, 1913, accompanied by seventeen Hamilton brethren. The officers conferred the third degree in a very able manner.

St. Clair Lodge No. 135, Milton. I visited this lodge March 20th, 1913. The officers conferred the first degree in a satisfactory manner. The members paid their quota to the Semi-Centennial Fund.

Walker Lodge No. 321, Acton West. I visited this lodge April 14th, 1913. The opening and closing of the lodge in the several degrees was exemplified, but but no degrees were conferred.

Doric Lodge No. 121, Brantford. I visited this lodge April 18th, 1913. The third degree was conferred in a very efficient manner. This lodge apparently does good work. It vies with St. John's Lodge No. 40, Hamilton for leadership in this district numerically and with all the lodges for leadership in Masonic conduct.

Ozias Lodge U. D., Brantford. With the assistance of W. Bro. E. E. Linger, District Secretary, I instituted this lodge December 11th, 1912, under a dispensation granted by M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, the Grand Master. This lodge is in possession of a full set of officers' regalia and has quarters in the fine Temple Building, Brantford. It sets out under the Most favorable auspices with a good set of officers.

Corinthian Lodge U. D., Hamilton. This lodge I instituted the 25th day of April, 1913, under a dispensation granted by M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, the Grand Master with the assistance of W. Bro. E. E. Linger who acted as director of ceremonies. This lodge has a fine set of officers and begins its career under highly favorable circumstances.

Reba Lodge U. D., Brantford. With the assistance

of W. Bro. E. E. Linger, District Secretary, I instituted this lodge at Brantford. on the 10th day of July, 1913. This is the youngest of the four lodges doing Masonic work in the city of Brantford. I think there is room for all of them.

As each of the lodges which I visited officially excelled itself in the form of the banquet placed before me. I do not require to speak individually of the hospitality of the different lodges which I visited. The officers and members of each lodge were ideal hosts.

Fraternally submitted,

W. H. WARDROPE, D. D. G. M.

Hamilton District No. 8.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
Table Shewing the Work Done in Hamilton District No. 8, from June 24th, 1912, to June 24th, 1913.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Total No. of all Mem.		Mem- bers' up		Degr's Conf'd		Affiliations		Resignations		Suspensions, other causes		Meet's held		Aver. atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 m'ths in arrears	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance		
			Increase during year	Decrease during year	E. A.	F. C.	M. M.	Restorations	Suspensions, N. P. D.	Deceased	Regular	Emergency	Total														
6	Barton	Hamilton	422	21	22	13	17	17	7	4			7	7	10	114	20	22	00	Dec. 24	12	Good	Yes	\$50 Jt.			
27	Strict Obs'vanc	Hamilton	422	13	17	13	10	5	1	1			9	13	417	53	107	15	40	00	June 24	13	Bright	Yes	Joint		
40	St. John's	Hamilton	501	19	34	26	24	4	2	2	9		10	12	820	70	163	20	80	246	40	June 24	13	Bright	Yes	Joint	
45	Brant	Brantford	322	20	19	19	21	4	1	4			11	12	23	52	193	05	45	705	7	June 24	13	Yes	Yes	2500 00	
57	Harmony	Burbrook	86	12	11	10	9	1	1	1			13	11	130	10	00	80	205	00	Dec. 24	12	Good	v. bright	1300 00		
61	Acacia	Hamilton	489	26	24	30	29	12	2	8			4	13	11	24	71	120	00	80	205	00	Dec. 24	12	Good	Spl'd	Joint
62	St. Andrews	Caledonia	80	7	3	4	3	4	3	3			14	2	16	19	133	00	6	46	50	Dec. 24	12	Good	Good	200 00	
100	Valley	Dundas	186	11	13	10	13	5	3	1			3	12	5	17	40	65	20	110	00	Dec. 24	12	Good	Good	500 00	
121	Doric	Brantford	498	3	21	31	35	5	8	10			5	11	22	33	56	943	18	14	96	00	Dec. 24	12	Good	Good	3200 Jt.
135	St. Clair	Milton	121	11	10	6	7	2	1	1			10	3	13	20	10	00	10	17	00	Dec. 24	12	Good	Good	350 00	
165	Burlington	Burlington	140	8	10	6	10	4	2	3	5			2	12	4	18	24	00	8	68	00	Dec. 24	12	Good	Good	300 00
166	Wentworth	Stoney Creek	150	12	2	9	5	3	3	5			2	12	4	16	32	25	00	12	35	00	June 24	13	Good	Good	600 00
219	Credit	Georgetown	100	2	9	5	5	1	2	5			1	14	1	15	18	105	00	7	80	00	June 24	13	Good	Good	500 00
243	St. George	St. George	73	5	3	3	3	1	5	5			3	14	1	15	12	25	204	00	Dec. 24	12	Good	Fair	600 00		
272	Seymour	Ancaster	132	2	4	4	5	1					2	13	3	16	28	00	25	43	137	00	Dec. 24	12	Good	Fair	500 00
291	Dufferin	W. Flamboro	101	4	4	3	3	1	3	3			2	12	1	13	95	00	34	130	00	June 24	13	Fair	Good	200 00	
321	Walker	Acton	71	3	4	4	3	1	1	1			10	2	12	13	10	18	58	50	June 24	12	Good	Good	Joint		
324	Temple	Hamilton	403	25	12	18	20	7	2	7			5	12	8	20	46	160	00	21	60	00	Dec. 24	12	A 1	Good	Joint
357	Waterdown	Millgrove	131	12	12	8	10		2	1			1	13	6	19	25	55	00	25	80	00	Dec. 24	12	Good	Good	250 00
382	Doric	Hamilton	391	19	17	14	11	6	1	2			3	13	11	4	62	258	90	117	348	25	Dec. 24	12	Bright	Yes	Yes Jt.
400	Oakville	Oakville	147	1	3	3	7	1	4	1			1	11	5	16	33	30	00	46	150	00	June 24	13	Good	Good	400 00
475	Dundurn	Hamilton	162	27	26	30	19	3	2	2			12	2	14	43	27	80	7	19	50	Dec. 24	12	Good	Good	Jointly	
495	Electric	Hamilton	162	37	33	33	29	5	1	1			12	2	14	43	27	80	7	19	50	Dec. 24	12	Good	Good	Jointly	
UD	Lynden	Lynden	40	20	20	16	10		1	1			1	12	1	23	20	10	59	75	Dec. 24	12	Good	Good	Jointly		
UD	Ozias	Brantford	31	31	3	2	7		3	2			7	1	7	20						Dec. 24	12	Good	Good	Yes	
UD	Corinthian	Hamilton	26										2		2	19						Dec. 24	12	Good	Good	Yes	
UD	Reba	Brantford											2		2	19						Dec. 24	12	Good	Good	Yes	

GEORGIAN DISTRICT NO. 9

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration my report on the condition of Masonry in Georgian District No. 9.

At the outset I wish to thank the brethren of the district for the honor which they did me by unanimously electing me to the high and responsible office of D. D. G. M. I have endeavored to discharge my duties with a full appreciation of the confidence placed in me by my brethren, and of the responsibility of the office. My task has been made easy and pleasant by the uniform kindness and courtesy that has been extended me throughout the entire district. The brethren in all the lodges have accepted my rulings without question, and the spirit in which they received my criticisms, which were never withheld when I felt them necessary, leads me to believe they will overlook my shortcomings.

Masonry in this district is in a healthy and prosperous condition. Everywhere the spirit of fraternal affection is exhibited, and the utmost harmony prevails in all the lodges. A substantial increase in membership is shown by almost all the lodges, and, judging by the candidates whom I had the pleasure of seeing initiated, I am sure that careful attention is being given to the scrutiny of the character of all applicants for initiation. Everywhere I have endeavored to impress upon the brethren the importance of this matter. The finances of the different lodges are in good condition, and the books are well kept. All but four of the lodges in this district have Past Masters as Secretaries.

Semi-Centennial Fund

When I took office, three lodges in my district were in arrears to this fund. I am pleased to report that two have paid their full quota, and the other lodge

has made arrangements to meet its obligation at an early date.

The Work

The work throughout the district is being done in a uniform manner, with one exception. I find that but few of the lodges are as thoroughly informed regarding the changes in the obligations made a few years ago as they ought to be. I would strongly recommend to my successor that he watch this feature carefully. Considerable instruction is going to be necessary before our work can be made uniform in this respect.

In each lodge that I visited, I made inquiry as to whether an examination was required of the candidate after he had received his third degree. I was surprised to find that but few of the lodges have required this. To those lodges which failed to examine, I pointed out that they were not being fair to the candidate, as they were not leaving him fully equipped with the Masonic knowledge necessary to prove himself a Master Mason, should he be about to visit another lodge where he was a stranger.

Lodge of Instruction

The Lodge of Instruction for this district was held at Midland, on May 17th, under the joint auspices of Caledonian Lodge No. 249, Midland and Georgian Lodge No. 348, Penetanguishene. Unfortunately, none of the Grand Lodge officers were able to be present, with the exception of R. W. Bro. N. L. Patterson, D. D. G. M. Ontario District No. 12, who rendered me valuable service. This meeting was large, and I believe, very helpful, as all but three of the lodges of the district were represented. The lodge was opened at 2 p.m., by the officers of Caledonian Lodge No. 249, and the first degree was conferred by Georgian Lodge No. 348, Penetanguishene, the second degree by Coronation Lodge No. 466, Elmvale, and, in the evening, the third degree by Caledonian Lodge No. 249, Midland. The work was done in such a manner as to leave but little room for criticism. After each degree was exemplified considerable discussion of a very profitable nature took

place. At the close of the third degree, Caledonian Lodge No. 249 examined a recently raised brother as to his proficiency; and a Board of Trial was exemplified by R. W. Bro. R. Raikes, W. Bros. Ogilvie, of Simcoe Lodge, Bradford and Martin, of Georgian Lodge, Penetanguishene. The lodge was closed in the several degrees by Orillia Lodge No. 192, Orillia.

Official Visits

I personally visited all but two of the lodges in my district, viz., Manito, No. 90, Collingwood, and Pythagoras No. 137, Meaford. It is a matter of deep regret to me that circumstance over which I had no control rendered it impossible for me to visit these lodges personally on the dates that had been arranged. R. W. Bro. R. Raikes, P. D. D. G. M. kindly consented, on very short notice, to visit Manito Lodge, in my stead, and R. W. Bro. J. D. Hamill, P. D. D. G. M., courteously did me a similar service at Pythagoras Lodge. To both these R. W. brethren, I take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks.

Simcoe Lodge No. 79, Bradford. I visited this, the oldest lodge in the district, on May 6th, 1913. They opened their splendid new lodge rooms on this occasion. A first degree was exemplified in an almost faultless manner by W. Bro. Ogilvie, supported by a very capable set of officers. This lodge has a goodly number of P. Ms., who are active in supporting the lodge in its work.

Manito Lodge No. 90, Collingwood. R. W. Bro. R. Raikes visited this lodge for me at their regular meeting, February 11th, 1913. He reports as follows: In accordance with your instructions, I visited Manito Lodge, Collingwood. The work put on was two initiations, the first being perfectly done by the R. W. Bro. John Nettleton, P. D. D. G. M., who had the satisfaction of admitting a grandson into Masonic light. The gavel was then assumed by W. Bro. Zimmerman, who with his officers did the work in a manner that left little room for criticism. I found the books well kept, dues collected, and the property of the lodge fully insured. With the quality of material coming in, and

the faithful adherence of the older members, I consider the prospects of this lodge very bright.

Corinthian Lodge No. 96, Barrie. I visited this lodge, April 3rd, 1913. A first degree was conferred in a splendid manner by W. Bro. Little, and his efficient officers. I have rarely, if ever, seen the work done better. This lodge is one of the strongest in the district, and is in a splendid position financially.

Pythagoras Lodge No. 137, Meaford. R. W. Bro. J. D. Hamill visited this lodge for me on May 23rd, 1913. He writes me as follows: In accordance with your telephone message, I visited Pythagoras Lodge No. 137. There were about 25 brethren present. They put on the Entered Apprentice and Fellow Craft degrees, opened up in the third degree and closed down, all being done in a manner creditable to any lodge. Information that has reached me from other sources indicates that this lodge is in excellent condition in every way, and that the officers are most capable.

Orillia Lodge No. 192, Orillia. My visit to this lodge was paid March 7th, 1913. The first degree was worked in a really excellent manner by W. Bro. W. W. McBain and his officers. The J. W.'s. lecture was particularly well done. The ability shown by the Wardens and junior officers promises well for the future of this lodge, which is well supported by an enthusiastic lot of P. Ms.

Kerr Lodge No. 230, Barrie. On May 28th, I visited this lodge, and witnessed two initiations by W. Bro. T. Crew and his officers. The work was splendidly done. This lodge has worked probably more degrees this year than any other lodge in the district. The work, however, is carefully done. This lodge, too, is blessed with an enthusiastic band of active P. Ms.

Beaver Lodge No. 234, Clarksburg. My visit to this lodge, originally arranged for April 28th, was deferred until June 17th, on account of the death of V. W. Bro. Dickenson, who was for over twenty-five years the Secretary of the lodge, and to whom, in a large measure, the present prosperity of the lodge is due. A

first degree was worked in a very efficient manner by W. Bro. Burke. He is supported by a really splendid lot of junior officers. The duties of Secretary are now in the hands of R. W. Bro. Chas. Pye, P. D. D. G. M., which is a sufficient guarantee that everything will be properly done.

Caledonian Lodge, No. 249, Midland. I paid my official visit to this, my mother lodge, on the occasion of the Lodge of Instruction, May 17th, 1913. The Master Mason's degree was exemplified by W. Bro. T. A. Sharp and his officers in a faultless manner, the work of the Deacons being particularly good. This is one of the largest and most enthusiastic lodges in the district.

Northern Light Lodge No. 266, Stayner. My visit to this lodge was made on May 13th. A second degree was conferred in a very creditable manner by W. Bro. Woodwork and his officers. This is not a large lodge, and has suffered for sometime by not having sufficient attention paid to the matter of dues. R. W. Bro. Bethune, P. D. D. G. M. is now Secretary, and conditions are much improved. I have no doubt my successor will find the lodge in better shape.

Minerva Lodge No. 304, Stroud. Visited this lodge on May 20th. There was a large number present. A first degree was worked by W. Bro. G. C. Allan and his officers in a very satisfactory manner. This lodge is doing good work. Their present quarters are, however, not very well adapted for so progressive a lodge, and I was glad to learn that they have purchased a new building, and intend fitting it up for Craft purposes.

Georgian Lodge No. 348, Penetanguishene. My first official visit was paid to this lodge on January 17th, 1913, when a third degree was exemplified in a really efficient manner by W. Bro. W. J. Wigg and his capable officers. This is a really good lodge, enthusiastic in its work, and making steady and substantial progress. The officers are supported by many active P. Ms.

Coronation Lodge No. 466, Elmvale. My visit to

this lodge was made May 2nd, 1913. W. Bro. McGuire and his officers put on a first degree in a very creditable manner. This lodge has suffered considerably by the removal of a number of P. Ms. and officers to the Northwest. They are, however, doing good work.

Victoria Lodge No. 470, Victoria Harbour. Visited this lodge on April 9th. W. Bro. E. B. Brown and his officers conferred a first degree in a very satisfactory manner. This lodge is doing very well, but having only a small constituency to draw from has been handicapped by difficulty in securing efficient officers.

Karnak Lodge No. 492, Coldwater. This lodge received my visit April 17th, 1913. This is the youngest lodge in the district, but is doing very good work indeed. W. Bro. Prior and all his officers do their work in a very efficient manner. Two brethren whose combined ages were 175 years were present at this meeting, and I am assured that they are regular in their attendance. This is an indication of the interest being taken by the members of this lodge in its work.

In concluding my report, I wish to thank the brethren for their kindness and for the sumptuous banquets which they tendered to me when I visited their lodges. In laying down the gavel of authority, I feel that I am officially severing a much prized connection with a great many true Masonic friends, with whom my fraternal relations have been most cordial. It is with much confidence that I hand over to my successor a district that is in a healthy prosperous and harmonious condition, knowing that he will receive the same loyal welcome and support that I have received.

Fraternally submitted,

A. C. ADAMS, D. D. G. M.,
Georgian District No. 9

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
Table Shewing the Work Done in Georgian District No. 9 from June 24th, 1912, to June 24th, 1913.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year	Decrease during year	Mem- bership	Degr's Conf'd	Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N.P.D.	Suspensions, other causes	Deceased	Regular	Emergent	Meet's held	Aver. atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 m'ths in arre'rs	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance			
79	Simcoe.....	Bradford.....	84	7	7	7	6	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	11	7	18	19	43	00	2	5	75	Dec. 27, '12	Good	Fair	Yes	\$250 00
91	Manito.....	Collingwood.....	222	7	7	7	5	5	4	1	4	1	3	12	7	19	40	150	00	...	...	June 24, '12	Good	Good	Yes	900 00		
96	Corinthian.....	Barrie.....	220	17	14	16	10	3	3	3	7	1	1	11	6	17	33	65	90	27	272	75	Jan. 2, '13	Good	Excellent	Yes	500 00	
137	Pythagoras.....	Meaford.....	116	3	3	5	2	2	1	3	7	1	1	11	1	12	20	20	00	4	31	00	Dec. 27, '12	Good	Good	Yes	1500 00	
192	Orellia.....	Orellia.....	237	17	13	13	15	4	1	1	5	2	1	2	11	13	24	35	150	00	25	200	00	Jan. 25, '13	Good	Good	Yes	1250 00
230	Kerr.....	Barrie.....	155	39	30	30	25	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	11	19	30	25	20	00	25	117	25	June '12	Good	Bright	Yes	300 00
234	Beaver.....	Clarksburg.....	84	6	4	3	2	2	1	2	2	1	1	1	13	9	22	35	70	00	10	125	00	Dec. 27, '12	Fair	Good	Yes	1200 00
249	Caledonian.....	Midland.....	208	29	24	13	13	4	1	3	3	1	1	9	2	11	12	...	...	...	...	Dec. 27, '12	Good	Good	No	200 00		
266	Northern Light.....	Stayner.....	40	2	2	4	2	2	1	3	3	1	1	1	12	1	13	18	10	50	7	14	00	Dec. 27, '12	Good	Good	Yes	400 00
304	Minerva.....	Stroud.....	87	10	2	5	3	3	1	5	1	1	1	1	10	7	15	21	150	00	4	11	00	Dec. 27, '12	Good	Good	Yes	600 00
348	Georgian.....	Penetanguishene.....	96	10	8	5	5	7	3	2	2	2	2	12	12	15	15	...	...	10	96	35	Feb. 19, '13	Good	Good	Yes	400 00	
466	Coronation.....	Elmvale.....	69	8	1	5	2	1	3	2	2	2	2	13	2	15	18	205	00	8	107	00	Dec. 31, '12	Good	Good	Yes	350 00	
470	Victoria.....	Victoria Harbor.....	96	1	3	5	5	3	2	2	2	2	2	13	2	15	18	...	...	6	110	00	Dec. 27, '12	Good	Good	Yes	600 00	
492	Karnak.....	Coldwater.....	55	9	7	7	8	8	2	2	2	2	2	14	4	18	17	...	...	...	...	Dec. 27, '12	Good	Good	Yes	...		

GEORGIAN DISTRICT NO. 9 A

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and
Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of
Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

It is with pleasure I submit my report on the condition of Masonry in Georgian District No. 9 A for the year ending June 1913.

I wish to return my sincere thanks to the representatives for unanimously electing me to the high and honorable office of D. D. G. M., also to the brethren of this district for the kindness and courtesy which has been shown me, and which has rendered the position an extremely pleasant one. Although the duties devolving upon a D. D. G. M. are somewhat onerous, yet, I feel amply compensated for the work incident to the office by the privilege of having made the acquaintance and formed friendship with so many true Masons.

My first official act was to appoint W. Bro. C. Dunham, of Spry Lodge No. 385, District Secretary, and to him I am much indebted for the valuable assistance and advice he has given me in the performance of my duties. I also appointed Rev. Bro. T. I. Crow of Manitoba Lodge No. 236, District Chaplain, to whom I am very grateful.

I notified the various lodges of my election, stating that I would look forward to the pleasure of visiting them officially at least once during the year. Upon receiving a very kind letter from the Grand Master re Semi-Centennial Fund, I took up the matter with the lodges in arrears, and am pleased to report that two of the four lodges indebted to that fund have since paid their quota and the other two have promised to do so before the close of another year.

Masonry in this district is in a very healthy and flourishing condition. The various lodges have, with a couple of exceptions, made steady progress. The work is exemplified with accuracy, and the lodges are

manned with enthusiastic and capable brethren. Harmony prevails, though in one lodge unfortunate dissensions have arisen, but even in this, I believe the difference is of a temporary nature, and by practice of true Masonic principles the discord now existing will disappear.

It has been a source of continual delight to note that Masonry is a real living force that makes for fraternity, unity and harmony; that the brethren dismiss animosities, rivalries, jealousies, and prejudices, which to some extent characterize this age, within its peaceful walls, and that the influence of Masonry is seen and felt in every day life, and the brethren realize that there is a practical, as well as a ceremonial side of Masonry.

In justice to Georgian District No. 9 A, I feel it my duty to state that every lodge contributed its share towards my expenses without the slightest hint from me, and in some cases my hotel expenses also. After each official visit we were escorted to the banqueting room where the needs of the inner man were provided for.

Recognizing the benefits that result from a Lodge of Instruction and desiring to carry out the wish of the G. M., I had hoped to be able to make the necessary arrangements, but am sorry to report that my efforts along this line were not successful.

I have had a number of circulars forwarded to me from the various lodges re the new ballot boxes, which I will lay before the Board of General Purposes.

Departed Brethren

I regret to have the duty to report the removal by death of several beloved members of the Craft. V. W. Bro. Allen Cameron, St. George's Lodge No. 88, Bro. A. Averill, Spry Lodge No. 385, Beeton, J. Coleman, Tottenham No. 467, Tottenham, Bro. S. Plewis, Nitetis Lodge No. 444, Creemore.

Official Visits

Lorne Lodge No. 377, Shelbourne. I visited this lodge on January 3rd, and was welcomed in a very

cordial manner by the W. M., W. Bro. Cassie and his officers. Owing to a stormy day the attendance was rather small. The work of the evening was raising, and considering that the officers had had their chairs a few weeks only, they deserve great credit and I have no doubt that they can exemplify the work to-day in a faultless manner. The Secretary is a very capable officer. I must congratulate the master on the manner he went after the balance owing the Semi-Centennial Benevolent Fund, assuring me it would be paid in full by the end of May.

Prince Arthur Lodge No. 333, Flesherton. Visited this lodge on January 17th, where I was accorded a hearty welcome. The work of the evening was passing a well coached candidate, and the degree was exemplified by W. Bro. Watson very accurately and very impressively. The Senior Warden's lecture was well given. I had the J. W. give his lecture which I am safe in saying was the most impressive I have ever heard. W. Bro. Blackburn makes an A1 Secretary, while being confined almost continually to his home for the past twenty-three years, and at times suffering great pain, yet with all he looks on the bright side of life. He is a very enthusiastic Mason, and I feel that my visit to his home was very beneficial to me. W. Bro. Hartly of King Solomon's Lodge, Toronto gave us a very interesting lecture on Masonry.

Seven Star Lodge No. 285, Alliston. I visited this lodge on January 22nd. The first degree was exemplified by W. Bro. Hurst and his officers in almost a faultless manner. The floor work of the Deacons was good. The Wardens gave their lectures splendidly, the S. W. giving the charge to the candidate very impressively. They have a good active Secretary and the lodge is blessed with several faithful P. Ms.

Spry Lodge No. 385, Beeton, visited February 12th. This being my mother lodge, I asked R. W. Bro. Cowan of Barrie to officiate as D. D. G. M. which he did, and to whom I am very grateful. He has omitted sending in his report under circumstances which we deeply regret. W. Bro. E. C. Bell and his officers worked a third degree, and I am pleased to report this lodge still main-

tains its high standing in the district. We had a good turnout of members. The books are in the hands of a very capable Secretary.

North Star No. 322 and St. George's No. 88, Owen Sound. Visited these two lodges on February 26th, St. George's calling a special meeting to suit my convenience. W. Bro. Dobie, W. M. of North Star being confined to his home, they did not confer a degree. W. Bro. Bartley, I. P. M. opened the lodge and went through the ordinary business, after which the officers of St. George's Lodge took the chairs and W. Bro. Pitts and his officers initiated a candidate in a very creditable manner. The officers of North Star again resumed the chairs. I have no doubt by the report given me by R. W. Bro. Menzies that W. Bro. Dobie is a very capable Master. We had a fair attendance. The Secretary of each lodge keeps the books in good shape. The financial condition of each lodge is good. Both meet in the one lodge room, and harmony prevails. I am very grateful to the brethren of Owen Sound, for their kindness.

Dundalk Lodge No. 449, Dundalk. I visited this lodge on March 17th. This lodge suffered by fire and at the time of my official visit, the officers had only recently been installed. However W. Bro. Wilson and his officers worked a second degree, and deserve congratulation rather than criticism. They have re-fitted their lodge room again, and are comfortably located. The Secretary keeps the books in A1 style.

Hiram Lodge No. 490, Markdale. Visited this lodge on March 18th, and was extended a very cordial welcome by W. Bro. Tucker and his officers who exemplified a third degree in a faultless and impressive manner. I must say that Hiram Lodge has a very capable and enthusiastic staff of officers. They are blessed with a couple of faithful P. Ms. They have a very neat and extra well furnished lodge room. This lodge has a very bright future, they are very particular whom they admit through their portals. For a young lodge its financial standing is good.

Manitoba Lodge No. 236, Cookstown. Visited this lodge on March 25th. Owing to the condition of the

roads the attendance was small. W. Bro. Knowles and his officers conferred a second and third degree in a faultless manner, every officer taking his part to the letter. I make special mention of the excellent delivery of the W. M. A lodge under the guidance of such a capable teacher cannot help but flourish. The work of Manitoba Lodge will compare favorably with any lodge in the district. The excellent Secretary is present at every meeting.

Tottenham Lodge No. 467. Tottenham. I visited this lodge April 21st. W. Bro. Dillane and his officers conferred a second degree with considerable credit to themselves. This lodge has not been making much progress of late, but under the present staff of officers I have no doubt they will have a profitable year. The Secretary keeps the books in good shape. The brethren have promised me faithfully to try and close out their balance of quota due S. C. B. F.

Nitetis Lodge No. 444, Creemore. I visited this lodge on May 28th. W. Bro. Pearn and his officers conferred a second degree leaving little room for criticism. I gave a few suggestions on the floor work, but as a whole Nitetis Lodge is doing good work. The lodge has an excellent Secretary.

In conclusion, I wish to again thank the brethren of the district for the courtesy and kindness shown me on all my official visits, and the right royal entertainment accorded me.

I shall assure my successor that he will find a warm welcome awaiting him from every lodge in the district.

Fraternally submitted,

L. D. CHERRY, D. D. G. M.,
Georgian District No. 9 A.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
Table Shewing the Work Done in Georgian District No. 9 A from June 24th, 1912, to June 24th, 1913.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year	Decrease during year	Degr's Conf'd		Meet's held		Aver. atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 m'ths in arre'rs	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance											
						E. A.	F. C.	M. M.	Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N. P. D.	Suspensions, other causes	Deceased	Regular	Emergent	Total												
88	St. George's.....	Owen Sound	191	13		11	13	13	2			5		1	15	4	19	3	105	00	2	223	00	Jan. 10, '13	\$1400 00	Good	Yes	600 00	
236	Manitoba.....	Cookstown	77	7		6	6	6	1	2		2			13	2	15	15			6			Jan. 24, '12	In Debt	Bright	Yes	300 00	
285	Seven Star.....	Alliston	87	1		1	3	3	1		2				13	3	16	15				180	00	June 24, '12	Good	Fair	Yes	1200 00	
322	North Star.....	Owen Sound.....	197	9	10	6	4	4	3	1		9		1	14	3	17	20	90	00	25	150	00	Dec. 27, '12	Good	Good	No	250 00	
333	Prince Arthur.....	Flesherton.....	61	5	2	3	2	3			1	1			12	12	14	14	65	00	8	80	00	Dec. 27, '12	Good	Fair	Yes		
377	Lorne.....	Shelburne.....	85		3	1	3	4		3				1	13	3	16	16			23	106	50	Dec. 27, '12	Good	1st class	Yes	300 00	
385	Spry.....	Beeton.....	81	6	1	6	8	8						1	14	5	19	20	5	00	17	157	00	Jan. 1, '13	Good	Good	Yes	6 0 00	
444	Nitets.....	Creemore.....	76	6		2	2	2	1		2			1	11	3	14	20						Jan. '13	Fair	Good	Yes	300 00	
449	Dundalk.....	Dundalk.....	47			2	2	2	1					1	10		10	15							Fair	Good	Yes	125 00	
467	Tottenham.....	Tottenham.....	58	3	1	2	2	2	1					1	10		10	12				163	85		Fair	Good	Yes	300 00	
492	Hiram.....	Markdale.....	31	2	1	1	4	6	1					1	11	8	14	15						June 24, '12	Fair	Excellent	Yes	530 00	

NIAGARA DISTRICT NO. 10

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor of presenting my report on the condition of Masonry in the Niagara District No. 10 for the year ending 24th June, 1913.

I take this opportunity of expressing my sincere thanks and appreciation of the honor bestowed upon me by the brethren of this historic district in electing me to the high and important office of D. D. G. M. and also for the cordial and courteous receptions tendered me during my term of office.

It affords me pleasure to report to you that the work done in the different lodges throughout the district is of a very uniform character, the W. Ms. and officers being enthusiastic and well qualified to fill their respective offices and anxious to do their work as perfectly as possible in accordance with the requirements of Grand Lodge.

The Secretaries of the different lodges are usually P. Ms. and perform their duties faithfully in the issuing of summonses for meetings and keeping the books of the lodges in good order, and with a few exceptions have the dues of the members very well collected. Arrearages in dues is a hard matter with which to deal if they are allowed to get behind, and I would suggest that when a member has gotten behind that the Secretary might by a few kindly words induce the member to be prompt in this respect, or the members might be requested to pay their dues half-yearly which would possibly to some be more convenient and apparently easier than paying the total amount at the end of the year.

In reference to the Semi-Centennial Fund, I might say that my attention was called to the fact that two of the lodges in the district had not completed their

quota. I wrote to each of these lodges asking for the completion of this fund. Ivy Lodge No. 115 have paid theirs in full and Enniskillen Lodge No. 185 have reduced their indebtedness by \$20.00 with a promise to pay the balance, \$34.00 as soon as possible. I regret at the close of my term of office that there should be any lodge in this district in arrears to this worthy fund.

I am purposely leaving out any reference to the social hour spent after the close of the different lodges as it would be too lengthy in connection with the report of work of each lodge, but I might here state that the brethren in the district are royal entertainers, which is characteristic of Masons at all times.

The average attendance of the members is usually good and more especially on the visit of the D. D. G. M.

The membership in the district is steadily increasing and I have tried to impress forcibly upon them that it is character, not quantity that we desire enrolled under our banners.

I regret that I was unable to hold a Lodge of Instruction during my term of office. The lodge rooms are usually so small that they could not accommodate the brethren who would like to attend and the district is such that it would almost need to be divided into four districts to make it convenient for them to attend these meetings.

I have visited officially all of the twenty three lodges in the district.

On 21st October, 1912, visited Coronation Lodge No. 502, Smithville and with the assistance of R. W. Bros. Drope of Grimsby and Pettit of Welland and P. Ms. from the district constituted, consecrated, and dedicated their lodge room. They are an energetic lot of Masons and start out with a good membership under their efficient W. M., Bro. Moffat. Would have liked to have visited them again but found it impossible.

On 27th December, 1912, visited Macnab Lodge No. 169, Pt. Colborne, and with the assistance of V. W. Bro. Lampman of Wellandport and P. Ms. of the dis-

trict, dedicated their lodge room. After the ceremony I was called upon to install their Master and invest the officers, who performed their respective duties in a creditable manner. I was also unable to re-visit them to see their work.

On 21st January, 1913, visited St. George's Lodge No. 15, when the first degree was impressively exemplified by the W. M. Bro. Holmes, assisted by the P. Ms. of the lodge.

On the 22nd January, 1913, visited Seymour Lodge 277, Port Dalhousie, when W. Bro. Elliott and his staff of officers exemplified the third degree in a faultless manner. This being my mother lodge I feel that I should not say too much as I might be accused of partiality.

On 5th February, 1913, visited King Edward VII Lodge No. 471, Chippawa. They had a candidate for the first degree but for good and sufficient reasons it was thought advisable not to initiate him, however the W. M., Bro. Gray, and his officers exemplified the first degree on one of the brethren.

On 17th February, 1913, I visited Enniskillen Lodge No. 185, York and as they had no work for the evening, I requested the Master to open and close in the three degrees which he did very well.

On 19th February, 1913, I visited Amity Lodge No. 32, Dunnville, where the W. M. and officers exemplified the first degree in a very impressive manner.

On 20th February, 1913, I visited St. John's Lodge No. 35, Cayuga. Owing to the condition of the weather the Master was absent. W. Bro. Bunn occupied the chair. The work in the first degree was well done.

On 27th February, 1913, I visited Maple Leaf Lodge No. 103, St. Catharines and presented eighteen Past Masters' jewels, among them being P. D. D. G. Ms. Merriman, Johnston and Coy and P. G. S. W. Grobb. The W. M., Bro. Jackson exemplified the first degree with musical ritual in a very efficient manner.

On 17th March, 1913, I visited Merritt Lodge, No. 168, Welland, when W. Bro. Julian and his officers worked the first degree in good form.

On 19th March, 1913, I visited Mountain Lodge No. 221, Thorold. On this occasion, P. D. D. G. M. Hoover was presented with a P. D. D. G. M. jewel, and W. Bro. McGill with a P. M.'s jewel. The W. M. Bro. Herod and his officers faultlessly worked the second degree.

On 20th March, 1913, I visited Union Lodge No. 7, Grimsby and witnessed the working of the first degree by W. Bro. Mitchell and officers in a creditable manner.

On 10th April, 1913, I visited Copestown Lodge No. 373, Welland. The W. M., Bro. Lovejoy and officers assisted by the P. Ms. of the lodge exemplified two third degrees in a very impressive manner.

On 15th April, 1913, I visited Myrtle Lodge No. 337, Port Robinson, when W. Bro. Huffa and officers worked the second degree in a very fair manner. Was sorry to learn that the Secretary W. Bro. Gresdale was about to leave the jurisdiction of the lodge and that Myrtle Lodge will lose a very efficient officer.

On 16th April, 1913, I visited Niagara Lodge No. 2, Niagara-on-the-Lake. They had no candidates in attendance so I requested the W. M., Bro. Allan to open and close in the three degrees which was satisfactorily done.

On 17th April, 1913, I visited Hiram Lodge No. 319, Hagersville. The W. M., Bro. Dusty and officers exemplified the second degree in a very creditable manner.

On 18th April, 1913, I visited King Solomon's Lodge No. 329, Jarvis, when W. Bro. Robinson and officers exemplified the third degree very well.

On 30th April, 1913, I visited Temple Lodge No. 296, St. Catharines, when W. Bro. Patey and officers assisted by P. Ms. worked the second degree in their usual good form. One pleasing feature of the evening was the presentation of Past Masters' jewels to six of their P. Ms.

On 6th May, 1913, I visited Palmer Lodge No. 372,

Bridgeburg. The W. M., Rev. Bro. Mackintosh and officers exemplified the third degree in a creditable manner.

On 13th May, 1913, I visited St. Mark's Lodge No. 105, Niagara Falls. The W. M., Bro. Inglis and officers worked the second degree in a very impressive manner.

On 20th May, 1913, I visited Ivy Lodge No. 115, Beamsville. The work in the second degree was well done by the W. M. Bro. Tufford and his officers. A very pleasing feature of the evening was the unveiling of a portrait of R. W. Bro. A. T. Simpson, presented by his grandson to Ivy Lodge.

On 27th May, 1913, I visited Dufferin Lodge No. 338, Wellandport. Owing to heavy rains and bad roads a number of the brethren were unable to attend, also the candidate. W. Bro. Goodwin opened and closed the lodge in the three degrees showing he was familiar with his work.

On 29th May, 1913, I visited Clifton Lodge No. 254, Niagara Falls. Work was done in the third degree by W. Bro. Rosborough and his officers showing they thoroughly understood their work.

In conclusion permit me to thank the Worshipful Masters and Secretaries for their prompt attention to all requests for information regarding matters in connection with their several lodges.

All of which is fraternally submitted,

J. M. A. WAUGH, D. D. G. M.,
Niagara District No. 10.

TORONTO WEST DISTRICT NO. 11

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor to submit herewith my report upon the condition of Masonry in Toronto West District No. 11 during the past year.

In doing so it is my first wish to express sincere thanks and my appreciation to the brethren for unanimously electing me as the representative of the M. W., the Grand Master in this district, to those who so ably and willingly assisted me during the year, and for the uniform courtesy, kindness and brotherly feeling extended to me by the brethren throughout the district, and especially so on the occasion of my official visits.

I have visited each lodge once in my official capacity, besides paying several other visits during the year, and am pleased to report that without one exception every lodge in the district has enjoyed harmony and prosperity, and the best Masonic feeling prevails throughout.

In submitting my report it is my intention to leave out to a considerable extent at least my recollections of banquets, etc., and at which I enjoyed myself to the full, and the unwieldy report of the names of brethren who were in attendance, and to place before you in as concise a manner as possible, and I hope clear enough for you to gauge the general state of our beloved Order in district No. 11.

The duties in connection with office of D. D. G. M. are by no means a sinecure, more especially I claim to the brother from an outlying lodge in the district, yet the work has been to me a labor of love, and if my efforts have been of any benefit to the brethren, as they have been a source of pleasure to me, then I am satisfied, for I can assure you that it has been my earnest endeavor to do what I believed to be right and

to the best interests of the Craft in general, without fear, favor or partiality, and for my many shortcomings and inabilities, I would ask for the indulgence of the brethren.

Shortly after assuming office I addressed a circular letter to every lodge in the district notifying them of my election, and asking them for co-operation and assistance during my term of office, co-operation being necessary to insure success. I also appointed as District Secretary, W. Bro. E. A. James, B. A. Sc., W. M. of Patterson Lodge, Thornhill, and a charter member of University Lodge, Toronto, and I have great pleasure in stating that he has faithfully and efficiently discharged every duty which fell to his lot, has accompanied me on many of my official visits, and has rendered valuable assistance in many ways. I cannot speak too highly of my District Secretary.

Toronto West District No. 11 is considered one of the largest in the jurisdiction of Grand Lodge being now composed of 27 lodges with a membership of over 5,000. The membership is increasing very fast, but I am pleased to report the quality is the highest and the best, peace and harmony prevail throughout, which no doubt may be attributed to the efficient and faithful services rendered by my predecessors in office, as I believe that an earnest, energetic D. D. G. M. is in a position to do more good, and of lasting character than any other officer of Grand Lodge, coming as he does in contact with brethren, therefore it behooves us to elect only the very best men available to this office, men who will maintain the dignity, raise the standard, and practice the beautiful teachings contained in our ceremonies.

The ritualistic work in the district is on the whole of a very high order, in two cases however the W. M. was absent from his lodge, the I. P. M. doing the work, but in all my official visits I was simply delighted with the manner in which the degrees were conferred, with the accuracy and impressive manner in which they were given to the candidate, and I hope that I am not too optimistic in stating that a level of excellence has been attained where we cannot reasonably expect much improvement, the work in my judgment being in ac-

cordance with the instructions of Grand Lodge and the suggestions offered at the installation of the D. D. G. Ms.

Constitution, Consecration and Dedication

Under instructions from the M. W., the Grand Master, I had the pleasure of constituting, consecrating and dedicating Connaught Lodge No. 501, Mimico, the ceremony of constitution and consecration being performed on October 10th, 1912. The dedication ceremony being performed on April 10th, 1913. On October 10th I was ably assisted by R. W. Bros. Scully and Bilger, V. W. Bros. P. W. Rogers, J. A. Montgomery & W. Bros. Frank Anderson, Geo. H. Smith, John Stephens, R. E. Porte, J. C. Speers and a number of other P. Ms. from the city lodges, and at the close of the ceremony installed the officers in due form; on April 10th I was ably assisted by a number of present and past Grand Lodge officers and present and Past Masters of the city lodges.

Lodge of Instruction, March 8th, 1913

At the request of the M. W., the Grand Master, a joint Lodge of Instruction was held in the Temple Building, on Saturday, March 8th, under the auspices of St. Andrew's Lodge, R. W. Bro. G. A. M. Davison, D. D. G. M. of Toronto East District, joining with me in arranging for the same.

The E. A. degree was exemplified by St. John's Lodge Loge No. 75, W. Bro. John Owston, W. M. in the chair.

The F. C. degree was exemplified by University Lodge No. 496. Owing to the illness of W. Bro. Breeney, O'Reilly, W. M., the chair was ably filled by W. Bro. John B. Brennan, I. P. M.

The M. M. degree was exemplified by St. Andrew's Lodge No. 16, W. Bro. James R. Bulmer, W. M., in the chair.

The exemplification of the several degrees was of a very high order, in accordance with the work as laid down by Grand Lodge, to the entire satisfaction of R.

W. Bro. Davison and myself, and also to the entire satisfaction and pleasure of the M. W., the Grand Master and R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, D. G. M., who were present and greatly assisted us by their kind remarks and friendly criticisms and rulings. Some three hundred brethren were present at the meeting. I have no hesitation in recommending that a Lodge of Instruction should be held in every district, as the good results which followed this meeting were to me quite apparent during my subsequent visits to the lodges in the district.

New Lodges Instituted

On May 9th, 1913, I had the honor, by direction of the M. W., the Grand Master, of instituting a new lodge in the city of Toronto, to be known as "Parkdale" Lodge. I was assisted in the ceremony by R. W. Bros. Davison, D. D. G. M. No. 11 A and Quibell P. D. D. G. M., V. W. Bros. Rogers, Montgomery and Voss, R. W. Bro. Wilkinson and a large number of Ruling and Past Masters of city lodges, about 75 brethren being in attendance.

On May 30th, I received an application from Bro. W. S. Milne and 30 other brethren, asking for a dispensation for a new lodge in the north-western part of the city of Toronto to be known as "St. Albans" Lodge. I had no hesitation whatever in recommending the petition and I forwarded the same to the Grand Master. The request being granted and the dispensation issued, I arranged with Bro. Milne to have the same instituted on June 16th, in the Temple Building. At this meeting we were honored by the presence of the M. W., the Grand Master, who conducted the ceremony of Institution, assisted by his representative in District No. 11; several other Past Grand Lodge Officers were present including R. W. Bros. Nixon, Francis, Smith, Harcourt, V. W. Bro. Dunstan and others, also my District Secretary at the institution of both new lodges.

Official Visits

King Solomon's Lodge No. 22, Toronto. W. Bro. Robt. A. Woodley, W. M. Visited March 13th. This is the oldest lodge in the district, prosperous and pro-

gressive. The W. M. and officers initiated a candidate in a very impressive manner, indeed the high standing of this old lodge was fully vindicated on the occasion of my official visit. The Secretary's books are models of neatness, the finances in good condition, meetings well attended, and a good fraternal feeling existing. This lodge is fortunate in having a large number of active P. Ms..

Vaughan Lodge No. 54, Maple. W. Bro. Fred W. Routley, W. M. Visited June 17th. Work E. A. degree. This is the oldest country lodge in the district. At this meeting the lodge was honored by the presence of the M. W., the Grand Master. This being my mother lodge, R. W. Bro. G. A. M. Davison, D. D. G. M. No. 11 A, kindly inspected the work. The first degree being conferred in a creditable manner by W. M. and his officers. For a number of years this old lodge has maintained a very high standing in the district for good work, and it is to be hoped that the present and future officers will maintain the high standard which it holds. This lodge is also fortunate in having a number of P. Ms. who take an active interest in the affairs of the lodge.

Rehoboam Lodge No. 65, Toronto. W. Bro. T. J. D. R. Dewar, W. M. Visited April 3rd. Work E. A. degree, being exemplified by the W. M. and officers in a most commendable manner, the lecture given by the J. W. deserves special mention. This lodge is to be congratulated in having a Secretary whose books are in good shape. The finances are in excellent condition, the lodge manned by officers who realize the importance of conferring the degrees in an impressive manner, a number of active P. Ms., warm fraternal greetings to visiting brethren, with these and other qualifications I predict a steady growth to its present prosperous condition.

Wilson Lodge No. 86, Toronto. W. Bro. W. A. Maclaren, W. M. Visited April 15th. Work E. A. degree. The first degree was exemplified by the W. M. and officers in a most impressive manner, the W. M. being a most energetic and progressive Mason and full of enthusiasm for the welfare of the Craft. R. W. Bro.

E. M. Carleton gave the brethren an instructive address on symbolism contained in the first degree. This is a live lodge enjoying prosperity and harmony. A very large gathering greeted me at this meeting, fourteen ruling Masters being present. R. W. Bro. G. A. M. Davison, D. D. G. M. No. 11 A, being also present. The financial condition of this lodge is excellent, the books well kept, the future good prospects of this lodge are assured.

True Blue Lodge No. 98. Bolton. W. Bro. Murray Dickson, W. M. Visited April 25th. Work F. C. degree. On making my official visit to this lodge I found that the W. M. had been installed in June 1912, had occupied the chair at one or two meetings and moved to the North-West, not having returned at the time of my official visit. During the interval of the absence of the W. M., the chair was filled by W. Bro. H. W. Shoemaker, I. P. M., who on the evening of my official visit conferred the second degree on two candidates in a very satisfactory manner. Not having a regular Master the officers become indifferent to the work as was the case with one or two in this lodge. This lodge is to be congratulated in having two of the best P. Ms. that Masonry can produce, in the person of W. Bros. F. N. Leavens and Geo. A. Norton, who are the backbone of this fine old lodge, have been the supporting pillars for years, and are continuing their labor of love for the good of Masonry, until brighter days may dawn.

Union Lodge No. 118. Schomberg. W. Bro. J. A. Armstrong, W. M. Visited May 19th. Work E. A. degree. This is the second lodge where I found the W. M. absent for a number of months, noting that his name was not on the register since last January. The lodge was opened at about nine o'clock by W. Bro. Robert Stewart, P. M., and a candidate initiated into the mysteries of Masonry. Owing to sickness the Secretary and I. P. M. were absent. The work of W. Bro. Stewart and W. Bro. M. Brandon, S. W., was exceptionally good, but the other officers were badly in need of more work. This state of affairs is always apparent when the Master absents himself from his lodge. With a well furnished lodge room, plenty of material to

choose from, dues well paid up and free from debt, I fail to see why Union Lodge should not be one of the best country lodges in the district.

York Lodge No. 156, North Toronto. W. Bro. John Cook, W. M. Visited March 21st. Work E. A. degree. I expected to see good work in this lodge and my expectations were fully realized, the W. M. and officers conferring the first degree in a most acceptable manner. This lodge is adding to its membership very rapidly, though exercising every precaution in their choice, as was quite noticeable by the ballot on the evening of my visit. The work in the lodge room met with my approval and the requirements of Grand Lodge. I predict that with good judgment and the proper fraternal brotherhood this lodge is destined to become one of the largest in the district.

Ionic Lodge No. 229, Brampton. W. Bro. W. J. Lowe, W. M. Visited May 20th. Work F. C. degree. Being conferred by the W. M. and officers in a commendable manner, the floor work being well done. This is a very progressive lodge, being supported by a number of able and energetic P. Ms. A new lodge room has very recently been erected, beautifully furnished and well equipped by the artistic taste of the brethren. On April 22nd the ceremony of dedication was performed by the M. W., the Grand Master. I regret to say that owing to a previous engagement it was impossible for me to attend.

Ashlar Lodge, No. 247, Toronto. W. Bro. Geo. M. Hendry, W. M. Visited January 28th. Work E. A. degree. The work of the evening being exemplified by the W. M. and officers in a highly creditable manner. There is a good Masonic feeling existing among the brethren and the work carefully done, the floor work being excellent. The finances are carefully looked after and the Secretary's books all that could be desired.

Patterson Lodge No. 265, Thornhill. W. Bro. E. A. James, W. M. Visited April 23rd. Work F. C. degree. I expected good work and was not disappointed, a candidate being passed to the second degree in a very impressive manner. This lodge is fortunate in

having the services of a Secretary, who has taken a very active interest in promoting the welfare and maintaining proficiency in the work. I have been appealed to by the brethren, asking for concurrent jurisdiction with the rural part of York Lodge, and while this is a question for Grand Lodge to decide, I would recommend that as York has a very large territory, and is now one of the city lodges, that they accede to the wishes of Patterson Lodge.

Robertson Lodge No. 292. King. W. Bro. John Egan, W. M. Visited April 14th. The report given by my predecessor, R. W. Bro. H. C. Scully on this lodge was very discouraging, or rather not very encouraging, however at the election in November, and at my own request to the brethren, a new staff of officers was elected. By dispensation I had the pleasure of installing the Master and investing the officers on December 31st. I told them what was expected of them, and am pleased to report that on the evening of my official visit, found that although no candidates had offered themselves, the lodge had regular meetings monthly and apparently were working harmoniously together. The W.M. and officers opened and closed in the several degrees, and also exemplified the first degree on one of the brethren, the complete work of the evening being done in a manner which surprised me in a most agreeable way. Since my official visit I have learned that three candidates have been initiated. With the proper officers and especially the Master whom they chose, I have no doubt whatever about the future success of Robertson Lodge.

Humber Lodge No. 305. Weston. W. Bro. N. J. McEwen, W. M. Visited January 24th. Work E. A. degree. This is one of the rural lodges, which has the reputation of doing work well, second to none in the district. The exemplification of the first degree by W. M. and officers has seldom been excelled, the manner in which the charge was given to the candidate is highly to be commended. A number of P. Ms. were present at this meeting including W. Bros. Eagle and Bull, who are about 80 years of age and seldom absent themselves from the lodge meetings, being an incentive to some members, younger in years, who should be

there. Masonry in Weston is just what one would expect to find among such enthusiastic brethren. Books well kept, finances in a healthy condition, officers well drilled and especially in the floor work, I predict a successful future for this lodge.

Blackwood Lodge No. 311, Woodbridge. W. Bro. W. S. Belfry, W. M. Visited April 18th. Work F. C. degree. Conferred the second degree in a very acceptable manner. A number of enthusiastic P. Ms. were in attendance. Like some of the other rural lodges, only a limited number of candidates present themselves, and the officers do not have the chance of becoming familiar with the work, however the members are energetic.

Zetland Lodge No. 326, Toronto. W. Bro. Marshall Macgregor, W. M. Visited May 23rd. Work E. A. degree. This is the largest lodge in the district, having nearly 600 members. The W. M. and officers exemplified the working of the first degree in a manner which I think could not be very much improved upon. From the I. G. to the I. P. M. every officer gave his part of the work in a perfect manner, the floor work being excellent. The work in this lodge being of the highest standard, the financial condition good, the books of the Treasurer and Secretary are second to none in the district, upon entering the lodge dignity as well as punctuality were among my first observations, indeed I cannot speak too highly of the manner in which affairs are conducted at Zetland. A feature of this meeting was the beautiful music rendered by Zetland's choir of twenty five voices.

Occident Lodge No. 346, Toronto. W. Bro. R. B. Magill, W. M. Visited March 19th. Work E. A. degree. At this meeting I was greeted by the largest attendance of brethren during my term of office, this appears to be a feature of this lodge. The first degree was exemplified for my inspection by the W. M. and officers in a very acceptable manner, with good floor work, dignity being an outstanding feature with the officers. The W. M. is a very enthusiastic Mason and the lodge is doing good work under his guidance. The P. Ms. of Occident give loyal support to the Master.

River Park Lodge No. 356, Streetsville. W. Bro. O. R. Church, W. M. Visited May 12th. Work E. A.

degree. The work being done in a fairly creditable manner, although some of the officers appeared somewhat dilatory. Although the brethren do not appear as enthusiastic as they should be, still a very pleasant and I think profitable evening was spent by all present. The financial condition is sound, and apparently steady progress is being made.

Mimico Lodge No. 369, Lambton Mills. W. Bro. Phil. H. Brown, W. M. Visited May 13th. Work E. A. degree. I was informed by the W. M. that this was the first candidate offering himself since being installed, consequently not much opportunity for officers acquainting themselves with the work, but am pleased to say that the conferring of the degree at this meeting was of a very pleasing nature, the work of the Master being given in a very impressive manner, being seldom excelled. W. Bro. Brown is very enthusiastic over the success of Mimico Lodge. Although this lodge has lost very heavily in its membership through the institution of Connaught Lodge, yet by the splendid staff of officers, assisted by a faithful lot of P. Ms., the future of this grand old lodge is assured.

Alpha Lodge No. 384, Toronto. W. Bro. S. H. Bradford, W. M. Visited March 6th. Work F. C. degree. This was a splendid meeting, large attendance, and a good representation of P. Ms. I found them prosperous, with a bright future before them, finances excellent, and the books of the Secretary are well kept. The fellowcraft degree was conferred in a very able manner by the W. M. and officers, the floor work being up to the standard, indeed I could hardly expect anything but good work from Alpha Lodge. At this meeting a very instructive address was delivered by R. W. Bro. Geo. Tait, P. D. D. G. M. on the symbolism of the F. C. degree.

Stanley Lodge No. 426, Toronto. W. Bro. Chas. H. Sherwin, W. M. Visited April 1st. Work E. A. degree. The lodge was favored at this meeting by fraternal visits from a number of ruling Masters accompanied by their officers and members. The first degree being exemplified by the W. M. and officers in a highly commendable manner; all the officers doing their work in a faultless manner. This lodge

is in splendid condition and the utmost harmony prevails, the members are full of enthusiasm, the finances, as well as the books and records are in good condition and the dues well paid up.

Harmony Lodge No. 438, Toronto. W. Bro. Forster Elliott, W. M. Visited February 24th. Work E. A. degree. I was greeted by a large turnout of members and visiting brethren. This lodge has attained a very high standard for doing good work and the degree exemplified for my inspection was no exception to the general rule. The W. M. and his officers conferring a first degree in a highly pleasing manner, the floor work excellent, and impressiveness by the officers being an outstanding feature. It is also fortunate in having an enthusiastic number of P. Ms. who take a very active interest in the affairs of the lodge. It is on a sound financial basis, books of the Secretary well kept, being "Harmony" in name, perfect harmony prevails and a great future assured.

Peel Lodge No. 468, Caledon East. W. Bro. Geo. Young, W. M. Visited May 16th. Work F. C. degree. This is practically one of the new lodges in the district, in the rural part, and special interest was therefore attached to my official visit. I was received with kindness and courtesy, and the progress being made is highly satisfactory. The W. M. and officers conferred the F. C. degree in a very creditable manner, all the officers doing their work well with the exception of the floor work which should have more practice. The Secretary is one of the best in the rural part of the district. The lodge room is nearly free from debt and perfect harmony prevails. A successful future is assured.

Victoria Lodge No. 474, Toronto. W. Bro. Frank Ford, W. M. Visited March 18th. Work F. C. degree. This is one of the city lodges recently instituted which is making rapid progress, not only numerically but in the quality of the candidates admitted. On the evening of my official visit the W. M. and officers conferred the Fellowcraft degree in a manner which was very impressive and creditable. They have an efficient Secretary, and the P. Ms. take an active interest

in the affairs of the lodge. The future success of this lodge may also be assured.

Corinthian Lodge No. 481, Toronto. W. Bro. Ross B. MacKinnon, W. M. Visited April 28th. Work E. A. degree. This is one of the young and growing lodges in District No. 11. Growing not only in numbers, but in the quality of its members, in an earnest desire to do the work intelligently and impressively, and striving to instill into the minds and hearts of the brethren the true Masonic spirit of good fellowship and brotherly love. The W. M. and officers conferred the first degree in a most impressive and admirable manner. The financial as well as the secretarial part of this lodge is all that can be desired. This is perhaps the only lodge in the district where visiting brethren were not present on the occasion of my official visit, but I cannot speak too highly of the cordial reception tendered to me, and the warm fraternal greetings which were showered upon me on that occasion.

University Lodge No. 496, Toronto. W. Bro. Breeney O'Reilly, W. M. Visited March 27th. Work E. A. degree. I regret to say that on the evening of my official visit, the W. M. was unable to be present owing to severe illness, and up to the present writing. I have not had the pleasure of his acquaintance. However, the chair was ably filled by the I. P. M., W. Bro. John B. Brennan, who, together with the officers, conferred the first degree in a manner not excelled by any in the district, the ceremonies being given with care and very impressively, and the floor work excellent, indeed I cannot speak too highly of the I. P. M. of University Lodge as a ruler in the Craft. The books of the lodge are in capable hands. The prospects are exceedingly bright.

Connaught Lodge No. 501, Mimico. W. Bro. Geo. S. Brown, W. M. Visited April 10th. Work E. A. degree. This is the youngest lodge in the district working under warrant, having received the same on October 10th, 1912. The ceremony of dedication was performed on April 10th, 1913, the evening of my official visit. On that evening the W. M. and officers conferred the first degree in a very able and efficient

manner, all the officers doing their parts well. A very enthusiastic staff of officers are in connection with this lodge, and are adding to their membership very fast, at the same time using precaution. The W. M. is a very painstaking and efficient officer, and under his guidance this lodge is doing good work. A spirit of true fraternal feeling prevails.

In concluding my individual report on the various lodges throughout the district, I have purposely omitted, but I must here state, that at each and every lodge I visited a sumptuous banquet was tendered at the close of the evening, where brethren intermingled for mutual intercourse, acquaintances formed and friendships made, and the true Masonic ideas expressed in such an able manner by the brethren, as will long remain in my memory, when other things shall have faded into the forgotten past.

In conclusion brethren, it has been my earnest endeavor to fill the high and responsible position of the representative of the M. W., the Grand Master in this district to the best of my ability.

I have endeavored during my term of office to instill into the minds of the brethren the dignity and high importance of Masonry, and to inculcate the higher ideals, the development of which is advancing among the brethren. I have endeavored to rule the district, not by harsh, but by friendly criticism. I fail to see how any brother, who has been so highly honored, and has filled the office of D. D. G. M. could forget his term of service and lose his interest in the Craft. I have formed the acquaintance of many distinguished members of the Craft, whom I probably would never have met, my term of office has been a most enjoyable one. The sacred trust given to me one year ago I shall be pleased to hand to my successor with the full assurance that he will find a right royal welcome awaiting him from every lodge in the district.

Fraternally submitted,

J. B. McLEAN, D. D. G. M.,
Toronto West District No. 11.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
Table Shewing the Work Done in Toronto West District No 11, from June 24th, 1912, to June 24th, 1913.

Name of Lodge	Location	Mem- bers' ship	Degr's Cont'd	A. A. M. M. M.	Affiliations	Restorations	Suspensions, N. P. D.	Suspensions, other causes	Deceased	Meet's held			Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 mths in arrears	Total of all arrears	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W.M. work all degrees	Insurance	
										Regular	Emergency	Total									
22 King Solomon	Toronto	327	11	19	13	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	52	12	1912	Good	Bright	Yes	Covered
51 Vaughan	Maple	16	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	45	00	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	1500 00
65 Rehoboth	Toronto	141	3	18	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	85	00	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	100 00
86 Wilson	Toronto	352	11	17	16	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13	50	00	July	Very g'd	Excel't	Yes	100 00
98 True Blue	Toronto	59	2	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	46	25	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	Regalia
118 Union	Lehman	29	7	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	46	25	Dec.	Good	Good	No	1500 00
150 York	Toronto	23	15	18	14	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9	51	19	June	Good	Good	Yes	1500 00
229 Tonic	Brampton	131	9	12	11	9	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	104	13	Dec.	Good	Excel't	Yes	1400 00
277 Ashlar	Toronto	309	21	24	22	19	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	35	25	June	Good	Excel't	Yes	600 00
265 Patterson	North	67	5	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	8	38	00	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	2100 00
302 Robertson	King	46	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7	21	00	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	300 00
325 Humber	Weston	110	22	14	14	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	96	00	Jan. 1, 1913	Good	Good	Yes	300 00
331 Blackwood	Woodbridge	61	1	2	5	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9	70	75	June	Good	Good	Yes	300 00
326 Zedland	Toronto	353	12	9	30	27	22	9	3	6	1	1	1	9	66	00	Sept.	Good	Excel't	Yes	600 00
346 Oceident	Toronto	373	12	9	30	27	22	9	3	6	1	1	1	9	66	00	Sept.	Good	Excel't	Yes	Covered
356 River Park	Breedsville	69	8	8	6	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	190	00	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	Covered
369 Mimico	Ambleton Mills	118	1	4	5	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	30	00	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	550 00
38 Alpha	Toronto	158	19	28	27	27	8	6	8	1	1	1	1	6	30	00	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	550 00
426 Stanley	Toronto	316	18	25	29	31	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	253	25	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	Yes
438 Harmony	Toronto	117	22	33	24	23	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	698	00	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	1000 00
468 Peel	aledon East	64	6	5	8	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	31	00	Dec.	Good	Excel't	Yes	Covered
484 Victoria	Toronto	213	21	38	18	12	13	3	1	1	1	1	1	11	40	00	June	Excel't	Excel't	Yes	Yes
481 Corinthian	Toronto	115	20	19	18	13	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	11	70	00	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	Yes
496 University	Toronto	123	12	5	3	9	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	24	00	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	Yes
701 Connaught	Linico	67	17	17	13	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	21	60	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	Covered
710 Parkdale	Toronto	35	13	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	21	60	Dec.	Good	Bright	Yes	Yes
71 St. Albans	Toronto	31	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	21	60	Dec.	Bright	Bright	Yes	Yes

TORONTO EAST DISTRICT NO. 11 A

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Masonry in Toronto East 11 A district is in a most healthy condition, and I have pleasure in submitting to you in brief form the following report, based upon the information I have obtained from the lodges of this district and upon my observations while visiting during the past year. I did not have to cancel or change an appointment through sickness or otherwise, having visited each lodge once and some twice during my term of office.

While it is a responsible position to be D. D. G. M. in 11 A District, the duties are very much modified by the universal courtesy, fraternal regard and loyalty to the representative of the Grand Master, it becomes a source of much pleasure, and I wish to express to the brethren my sincerest thanks for their courtesy and the kindness shown me, and the kind help accorded me by the M. W., the Grand Master; also to a considerable number of enthusiastic brethren of the district, who accompanied me on my official visits. One very pleasing feature of my visits was to see so many sister lodges paying fraternal visits.

Condition of the Craft

The true spirit of Masonry is exemplified in a most marked degree and the lectures generally are given in a most impressive manner and with uniformity with the instructions of Grand Lodge. There have been no charges laid and apparently the only rivalry is in good works.

While our growth has been large, it is most gratifying to note the class of citizens that have been initiated into the Craft the past year. It is pleasing to note the care that is being exercised by committees on petitions. I have been pleased with the work and efficiency of the various lodge secretaries.

The amount of dues outstanding is too large in some instances, but in looking over the various reports, I believe the reduction of \$1.00 if paid by a certain period, has had good results.

Lodge of Instruction

On suggestion of the Grand Master, a joint Lodge of Instruction was held comprising 11 and 11 A districts, in the Temple Building, Toronto, on March 8th, under the auspices of St. Andrew's Lodge No. 16. This was one of the largest and most representative Lodges of Instruction ever held in Toronto. The M. W., the Grand Master, Aubrey White, favored us with his presence during the entire proceedings. R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, D. G. M. also honored us by being there. The lodge was opened at 2 p.m. sharp by St. Andrews Lodge with W. Bro. J. R. Bulmer in the chair. After a few timely remarks by the Grand Master the officers of St. Andrew's Lodge vacated the various chairs and W. Bro. J. M. Owston and officers of St. John's No. 75, exemplified the first degree in a very creditable manner.

At 4 p.m. R. W. Bro. John Brennan and officers of University Lodge No. 496, opened in the second degree and exemplified the work in a very capable way. The lodge was then called off at 6 p.m. and retired to the banqueting room and after the inner man had been satisfied, W. Bro. Bulmer assumed the gavel, and called for some music, after which he asked the Grand Master to address us, which he did most capably. He made us all feel it was good to be there and that we would leave the festive board better citizens and better Masons.

One very pleasing incident during his speech was after the Grand Master had told how near the Semi-Centennial Fund was of being completed, being less than \$100 short of completing the \$100,000 mark. A brother got up and told the Grand Master with his permission the balance of the \$100,000 would be paid by him and the brother sitting next him, and before the Grand Master sat down, the money was handed to him.

At 7.30 p.m., W. Bro. J. R. Bulmer and officers of

St. Andrew's Lodge opened in the third degree and exemplified it in a most able and pleasing manner, assisted by music splendidly rendered by St. Andrew's choir.

After each degree the meeting was open for question and discussion but as all three degrees were so excellently worked by the three lodges, there was no ground for criticism and the questions for ruling by the Grand Master were mostly in the nature of what style he recommended for certain floor work where the same could be done by slight change and practically having the same effect. The Grand Master was pleased to call many of the questions hypercritical, which in other words goes to prove that the exemplification of the three degrees was done according to the work, rules and wording as laid down by Grand Lodge. Speaking for myself, I desire to thank the W. Ms. and officers of these lodges for the trouble and time this meeting cost them and wish to congratulate them on the very creditable rendition of the work.

Suggestions

That the W. Ms. put as much work on the shoulders of the P. Ms. as possible (excepting the night of the official visit of the D. D. G. M.) We need the P. Ms. at lodge. Phone them before meeting night that you wish them to do certain work.

Think entertainment a good thing for the lodge, but, perusing financial statements, think difference too great between relief and benevolence and the entertainment cost. Don't like three degrees on regular meeting night, prefer one and have Warden's lecture and P. M's. charge given. Would like to see more lodges adopt the musical ceremony.

Changing secretaries every year causes mistakes. Have found best results from long service. Installation on one night, either June or January. Why not St. John the Baptists night? And conform more with Grand Lodge meeting. Still greater discretion should be exercised in making Masons.

Remember to uphold one's character in his absence as you would in his presence. Should an un-

worthy person gain admittance within our portals, try and correct his habits, improve his virtue and establish his good character.

I like the custom of promoting assistant officers and wardens in regular order at each election, but we should remember that the qualities preferred in the Craft should be zeal and personal merit, and only the brethren who have shown real worth and proven themselves faithful and capable in the humbler positions should be promoted to the more exalted.

It has been pleasing to note that our banquets are dismissed earlier than has been the custom in years past, only on very special nights have they been continued after midnight. Grand Lodge does not dictate to us what we shall eat or drink at our banquets, but I am pleased that spirituous liquors were only served at one festive board that I had the pleasure of sitting down to during my term of office, and I have been entertained at upwards of 30 banquets during the year.

Our lodges are proving more distinctly what they were always intended to be, a religious institution. There is more thought given to the great moral questions of the day, and more discussion of benevolences, charities, the pure individual life and all those things which are the foundation of the great Temple of Social advancement, fair in its proportions and planned by the Great Architect of the Universe.

I have taken considerable space with my remarks, therefore my report on each visit will be brief.

Visits

No. 87, Markham Union, Markham. R. W. Groves, W. M. Visited September 20th. I made my first official visit to my mother lodge. There was an attendance of 78. The first degree was worked in a very creditable manner. The finances are O. K. and the prospects of the lodge are very good. The Secretary's books are in A 1 shape.

No. 75, St. John's, Toronto. W. Bro. J. M. Owston, W. M. Visited Nov. 4th. This was my first official visit in Toronto. I expected to see a standard of

excellence in this lodge that would serve as a measure by which to judge the work in this district, and my expectations were amply fulfilled with the initiation I witnessed. The books and finances very satisfactory.

No. 220, Zeredatha, Uxbridge. W. C. Shier, W. M. Visited Nov. 18th. The first degree was exemplified in a very satisfactory manner. The W. M. is well skilled in his work. Books well kept. The P. Ms. still take an active interest in the work.

No. 136, Richardson, Stouffville. E. S. Barker, W. M. Visited Nov. 21st. The attendance was small, but Richardson Lodge has come through a crisis—and now looks forward to life and expansion. There being no work, the officers opened and closed in the three degrees. The officers are efficient and enthusiastic and the prospects of the lodge are better than for sometime past. Finances in good shape and Secretary's books well kept.

No. 129, Rising Sun, Aurora. S. C. Taylor, W. M. Visited December 6th. A first degree was exemplified and the work was very pleasing and excellently done. The P. Ms. are deeply interested in their lodge and showed they are well skilled in the work by the able manner in which they assisted the W. M.

No. 23, Richmond, Richmond Hill. E. M. Bryne, W. M. Visited January 13th. Found it in good working order, there was a good attendance of both members and visitors. Witnessed a second degree well exemplified with a candidate very well posted on the former degree. The lodge own a very comfortable hall. Books well kept and lodge in prosperous condition.

No. 354, Brock, Cannington. W. A. Mullen, W. M. Visited January 22nd. A fair attendance greeted me here. There was no candidate. The officers opened and closed in the three degrees. They showed a lack of practice which is accounted for by their not having a candidate in the past twelve months. The P. Ms. are not as regular attendants at lodge as they should be. The Secretary keeps his books in an excellent manner being neat and accurate.

No. 410, Zeta, Toronto. T. E. Cuffe, W. M. Visited January 24th, 1913. A third degree was worked most creditably. I wish to particularly congratulate the lodge on the work of the W. M. His work was exemplary. The P. Ms. are a great help to the lodge. To visit Zeta gives a desire to have the privilege of soon reurning.

No. 343, Georgina, Toronto. H. G. Tugwell, W. M. Visited February 1st. A large meeting and splendid work. A pleasing feature was to see the way R. W. Bro. Shaver, G. S. W. did the work of the S. W. who was unavoidably absent. Finances in splendid shape.

No. 99, Tuscan, Newmarket. J. D. Collie, W. M. Visited February 12th. A fair attendance. The W. M. is an enthusiastic Mason and exemplified the first degree in a very able manner, well assisted by his officers.

No. 97, Sharon, Queensville. Visited February 18th. This lodge is doing good work and is very well supported by its P.Ms. who have the true Masonic spirit and gave the Grand Master's representative a most loyal welcome. Finances in good shape. A pleasing feature was to see so many there from quite a distance. A special car was run from Sutton West which brought a large number from Sutton.

No. 25, Ionic, Toronto. F. C. Hood, W. M. Visited March 4th. The W. M. enjoys well merited popularity and very ably worked the first degree, well supported by his officers. The lodge has an efficient Secretary and his books are neatly and accurately kept. Finances are in good shape. Assets are not as large as some Toronto lodges because Ionic has always practiced one of the first principles of Masonry, viz. charity—they have been one of the largest contributors (I believe the largest per capita) to benevolence of all the lodges in this district. This lodge has a distinguished lot of P. Ms. who ably support the W. M.

No. 16, St. Andrew's, Toronto. J. R. Bulmer, W. M. Visited March 11th. This is the pioneer of Masonry in Canada with a membership of 453, the largest in this district. It is gratifying to note our first lodge

sets an example that all lodges should try and imitate not only in work and spirit but in Masonic etiquette. It is worthy of mention that on my official visit no brother asked to be excused while the lodge was open nor did any person leave the banquet room until we all parted with the J. W's toast. The lodge has been reported upon favorably by my predecessors for so many years back, that in referring to the work done I will express my admiration by saying I do not think a degree was ever better worked before a D. D. G. M. at St. Andrew's than it was in 1913. I wish to congratulate the lodge on their efficient Secretary. I had the pleasure of visiting St. Andrew's on October 8th, 1912, the date of their celebration of their 90th anniversary, and I spent a most pleasant and profitable evening.

No. 473, The Beaches, Toronto. Horace Hardy, W. M. Visited March 14th. The W. M. worked his degree in a very able manner. The officers are proficient in their work. The books are well kept and finances in good shape. Harmony and good feeling prevail. A large turnout greeted me.

No. 316, Doric, Toronto. J. B. Sutherland, W. M. Visited March 20th. The W. M. is a skilled ruler which he demonstrated in his third degree work. He was well supported by his officers. The I. P. M. is a gifted ritualist. I am sorry to note this lodge is not enjoying the prosperity it should, but this fault does not lie with the W. M. who is one of the most popular and energetic masters we have in this district. I also spent a very pleasant evening with Doric the night they presented R. W. Bro. Bilger and V. W. Bro. Montgomery with their Grand Lodge regalia.

No. 339, Orient, Toronto. J. N. C. Stewart, W. M. Visited April 1st. This was the first regular meeting held in their new home, which is a credit not only to Orient and Riverdale Lodges but to the whole Craft. The W. M. and his officers exemplified the 1st degree in a manner no one could find fault with. W. Bro. Anderson has been Secretary of this lodge 19 years. His books are a model of neatness.

No. 367, St. George, Toronto. W. A. Spence, W. M. Visited April 4th. A large attendance greeted

me here and the degree work was well done. The Secretary had his books in first class shape. I spent a most instructive night with St. George Lodge on May 17th, the date they entertained Ashlar Lodge of Detroit, Michigan, when the third degree was exemplified according to the American form, in a very impressive way.

No. 218, Stevenson, Toronto. W. B. Campbell, W. M. Visited April 14th. Is in a healthy condition. The W. M. conferred a first degree in an impressive and creditable style. He is well supported by his officers who take an active interest in their work. Arrears of dues are somewhat larger than they should be. The W. M. assured me this amount would be immediately reduced.

No. 494, Riverdale, Toronto. W. M. Miskelly, W. M. Visited April 25th. The lodge is now meeting in their handsome home recently completed which is owned jointly by themselves and Orient Lodge. I witnessed the third degree conferred in an impressive and creditable style, with musical accompaniment. The candidate showed his proficiency in the former degree in a faultless manner. The W. M. has shown himself an industrious and untiring master, and the lodge is making excellent progress under his management. I also spent a very pleasant evening with this lodge, March 18th. "Irish night."

No. 424, Doric, Pickering. T. M. McFadden, W. M. Visited May 15th. An examination of the register shows this lodge to be making good progress. I was pleased to note they had recently beautified their lodge room which shows advancement. The second degree was very well exemplified. The Secretary's books are very well kept, and finances O. K.

No. 430, Acacia, Toronto. Andrew M. Heron, W. M. Visited May 19th. I was accompanied on this visit by the W. M. of Markham Union and about 40 members. We were heartily welcomed by the W. M. and a large turnout of his members. The W. M. initiated his brother James in an accurate and very satisfactory way. He is well supported by his officers who take an active interest in their work. Acacia possesses an energetic

and painstaking Secretary, whose neatness and correctness were everything that could be desired.

No. 269, Brougham Union, Claremont. Rev. W. R. Wood, W. M. Visited June 17th. This lodge owns the town hall with their lodge room above. Smallpox broke out in Claremont in February and the Town Hall was used as an Isolation Hospital, preventing the brethren from holding a lodge meeting for four months. The building was not disinfected until June and I visited Brougham on June 17th, when a larger attendance greeted me than I expected under the circumstances. They have some very energetic P. Ms. and I believe they will quickly overcome the handicap caused them by being without their lodge room for four months. Their finances are in splendid shape and their Secretary is a very capable man.

Malone, U. D., Sutton West. F. G. Tremayne, W. M. Shortly after my election I received a petition from the brethren of Sutton West asking for a new lodge there. I forwarded same to our Grand Secretary and I was instructed by our Grand Master to go to Sutton, have a meeting and report to him. My visit proved to me there was an enthusiastic lot of Masons in Sutton West, who should have a lodge there. I accordingly reported to the Grand Master. The neighbor lodge Sharon No. 97, having given their approval, the Grand Master ordered a dispensation to be issued. The new lodge was called Malone after our esteemed Grand Treasurer. I instituted the lodge May 21st, and was pleased to be accompanied by W. Bro. Noble, 87 years of age, the only living charter member of Markham Union who acted as D. of C. I was impressed with the neatness and furnishings of the new lodge. They had not yet purchased their three principal chairs. When the Grand Treasurer learned this, he ordered me to secure them and send the bill to him. I visited Malone Lodge at their regular meeting in June to inspect their work. The W. M. most creditably worked the first degree, ably supported by his officers. W. Bro. Tremayne, their first Master is very ably assisted by W. Bro. W. M. Oliver in the west and Bro. Dr. Greenwood in the south. The Secretary's books are in good hands. I am sure Grand Lodge will be proud of "Baby Malone."

Bro. R. M. Stewart, Secretary of Markham Union, kindly consented to act as District Secretary, and I am much indebted to him for his assistance. He has been must willing to meet all the requirements of his office. Bro. G. I. B. Johnston favored me by consenting to act as District Chaplain and I feel grateful to both these brethren for accompanying me on so many of my visits.

In conclusion, I wish to say that my term of office has been one of great pleasure and profit to me and I trust that the benefit derived will be mutual.

I wish to express my sincere thanks to the district for the honor conferred.

Fraternally submitted,

G. A. M. DAVISON, D. D. G. M.,
Toronto East District No. 11 A.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
Table Shewing the Work Done in Toronto East District No. 11 A from June 24th, 1912, to June 24th, 1913.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Mem- bers'ip		Degr's Conf'd		Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N.P.D.	Deceased	Meet's held			Aver. atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 m'ths in ar'rs	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance				
			Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year	Decrease during year	E. A.						F. C.	M. M.	Regular										Emergency	Total		
16	St. Andrew's	Toronto	453	36	1	30	26	27	9	..	..	..	10	10	17	27	75	508	50	18	80	00	June 1913	Good	Yes	1000 00
23	Richmond	Richmond Hill	58	6	5	5	5	5	2	..	..	..	1	11	2	13	22	11	00	3	10	50	July 1912	Good	Yes	2500 00
25	Ionic	Toronto	290	..	3	7	6	3	4	..	..	..	1	6	9	21	35	110	00	..	..	..	June 1913	Good	Yes	Trust
75	St. John's	Toronto	310	9	12	14	13	3	5	4	2	..	5	11	4	15	74	110	88	54	259	80	Dec. 1912	Good	Yes	Trust	
87	Markham Un.	Markham	99	9	11	7	5	3	3	..	..	..	2	13	9	22	24	25	00	6	25	00	Dec. 1912	Good	Yes	300 00
97	Sharon	Queensville	70	6	6	5	4	1	1	4	..	..	1	13	1	13	19	50	00	18	45	00	June 1913	Good	Yes	250 00
99	Tuscan	Newmarket	70	3	1	3	2	1	1	1	..	..	12	12	1	12	30	..	..	..	..	..	June 1912	Good	Yes	300 00
129	Rising Sun	Aurora	94	4	3	3	2	3	3	2	..	..	13	13	2	15	14	300	00	14	60	00	Dec. 1912	Good	Yes	1700 00
136	Richardson	Stouffville	57	..	3	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	9	1	10	7	..	..	17	00	June 1913	Fair	Good	No	350 00
218	Stevenson	Toronto	260	12	15	14	15	3	1	2	..	..	4	11	8	19	54	145	00	22	57	00	Dec. 1912	Good	Yes	No Ins.
220	Zeredatha	Exbridge	88	1	3	3	3	2	1	5	..	..	7	13	3	16	15	15	00	1	5	25	June 1913	Good	Yes	400 00
269	Brougham Un.	Laramont	69	5	2	5	4	1	1	1	..	..	1	8	2	10	15	35	00	10	47	00	June 1913	Fair	Good	800 00
316	Doric	Toronto	405	1	2	7	8	1	3	4	..	..	1	10	4	14	54	300	00	48	282	00	Dec. 31, 12	Good	Yes	Trust
339	Orient	Toronto	353	11	30	21	13	4	1	3	7	..	3	11	14	25	90	118	00	14	85	00	Dec. 1912	Good	Yes	1200 00	
343	Georgina	Toronto	368	29	12	30	25	24	10	1	5	3	4	10	12	22	80	155	00	8	192	00	Jan. 1913	Good	Yes	.....
354	Brock	Cannington	65	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	..	..	1	9	1	10	12	5	00	8	25	0	Dec. 1912	Fair	Good	300 00
367	St. George	Toronto	405	11	12	20	25	4	1	2	1	..	2	10	11	21	68	460	00	1	3	60	June 27, 13	Good	Yes	250 00	
410	Zeta	Toronto	325	21	27	27	31	1	1	2	3	2	1	2	0	2	12	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
424	Doric	Pickering	49	..	3	3	4	1	1	1	1	..	2	10	2	22	44	85	00	4	38	25	Dec. 27, 12	Good	Very bright	1700 00	
430	Acacia	Toronto	178	15	17	14	14	2	4	3	3	1	2	2	10	12	22	44	85	00	3	18	00	Dec. 1912	Good	Yes	1000 00
473	The Peaches	Toronto	193	17	31	16	18	4	3	..	..	..	1	11	11	22	50	25	00	3	18	00	Dec. 1912	Good	Yes	200 00
494	Riverdale	Toronto	208	26	27	21	28	3	3	1	3	1	3	10	16	26	57	122	00	..	40	50	Dec. 27, 12	Good	Excellent	200 00	

ONTARIO DISTRICT NO. 12

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

In submitting my report for your consideration on the condition of Masonry in Ontario District No. 12, let me first thank the brethren for the honor they conferred on me by electing me to such a distinguished and important office as that of D. D. G. M., and I also wish to thank my predecessor for the valuable assistance he rendered me in the first stages of my official career.

I wish to return my thanks to the brethren of this district for the kind and courteous manner in which they received me on my official visits, and on all other occasions that I was brought in contact with them, and for the able and loyal support given me during my term of office, which shall be pleasant memories to me while life lasts.

Masonry has been generally prosperous in this district for the last twelve months; some of the lodges have made remarkable gains, especially Faithful Brethren, No. 77, Lindsay, and some of the other lodges have made substantial gains, and none of them are losing ground.

I have visited every lodge in the district, and found that the work is well done by the Masters and officers. I tried to impress on the brethren the importance of living the true Masonic life outside the lodge as well as in it, so that the moral influence of Masonry might be felt by the World at large as well as by the members of our beloved Order.

Departed Brethren

I regret to have to report the removal by death of some prominent members of the Order.

Bro. Douglas J. Adams, Fidelity Lodge No. 428, Port Perry, died August 18th, 1912, aged 34 years. He was a P. M.

On the 18th of October, 1912, the brethren of Lebanon Lodge, No. 139, and Cedar Lodge, No. 270, Oshawa, buried Bro. W. A. Cornwall, a member of Cairo Lodge, Claresholm, Alberta, at the request of that lodge.

There died at Oshawa on March 7th, 1913, R. W. Bro. Robert McCaw. He was a member of Lebanon Lodge No. 139.

There died at Beaverton on March 27th, 1913, Bro. John Veale, sr., a member of Murray Lodge No. 408.

Lodge of Instruction

To carry out the wishes of the M. W., the Grand Master, Brother Aubrey White, I held a lodge of Instruction on the 10th day of January, 1913, under dispensation granted by Grand Lodge to Faithful Brethren Lodge No. 77, Lindsay. We had the honor and great benefit of having the M. W., the Grand Master with us on that occasion, who gave us much valuable and able instruction; we were also honored by the presence and assistance of two most distinguished Past Grand Masters, M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone of Toronto, and M. W. Bro. J. E. Harding of Lindsay, the presence of such distinguished men and Masons will have lasting influence for good on Masonry in this district.

The proceedings were opened at two o'clock p.m. by the Master and officers of King Edward Lodge No. 464, Sunderland, who exemplified the first degree. They were followed by the Master and officers of Spry Lodge No. 406, of Fenelon Falls, who exemplified the second degree, after which the Master and officers of Lebanon Lodge No. 139, Oshawa, exemplified the third degree. The work of these lodges was done in a very creditable manner and received great praise from the M. W., the Grand Master.

Official Visits

I paid my official visit to Lebanon Lodge No. 139, Oshawa, on Tuesday, October 8th, 1912. I was most cordially received. A large attendance; lodge very prosperous. The first degree was exemplified in a

very creditable manner. The P. M. helps in the work, this makes the work easy for the present officers. The Secretary's books are in excellent order. The lodge was opened and closed in three degrees and the work was well done. W. Bro. Holland is a very capable Master, and has a very well skilled staff of officers.

Paid my official visit to King Edward Lodge No. 464, of Sunderland, on October 25th, 1912. First degree exemplified and the work well done. This meeting was well attended by the members of the lodge, and also by visiting brethren from 11 A District. This lodge is very prosperous, and has a good staff of officers. The W. M. Bro. A. Switzer, and the present Secretary take great interest in Masonry.

Paid my official visit to Arcadia Lodge No. 440, Minden, on November 22nd, 1912. We had a fairly good attendance. I found Arcadia Lodge in a very prosperous condition, with a good bank account to its credit. The second degree was exemplified in a very creditable manner. W. Bro. W. Martel is a capable Master, and has a good staff of officers. The Secretary and Treasurer are painstaking officers and their books are kept in first-class order. Everything about Arcadia seems prosperous.

Paid my official visit to Victoria Lodge No. 398, Kirkfield, on December 20th, 1912. The attendance was not very large, likely owing to conditions prevailing in Kirkfield at this time, there being no accommodation for the public. I found this lodge very prosperous at the present time, working well and great harmony prevails. Bro. R. A. E. Oliphant is a very efficient master and has a good staff of officers to assist him in the work. The books of this lodge are well kept by the Secretary.

Paid my official visit to Somerville Lodge No. 451, Kinmount, on January 17th, 1913. The attendance was not very large. A heavy rain set in early in the evening, and as a large majority of the members live out in the country it would entail a great hardship on them to attend under such weather conditions. Some years ago this lodge purchased a building and intended to use the second storey for lodge purposes,

and to let the first flat for stores or other purposes, but being unable to pay for it they lost the building, and the money paid on it. This was a severe blow and retarded Masonry here for a time, but they are now emerging from this catastrophe, and have bright hopes for the future. Bro. Dawkins is a capable master and exemplified the first degree in an able manner, his son being the candidate. The books of the lodge are kept in a businesslike manner. The Secretary does his work well. Harmony prevails in this lodge.

On January 24th, 1913, I visited North Entrance Lodge No. 463, Haliburton. This is one of the most prosperous lodges in the northern part of the district. W. Bro. Edward Y. Spurs, the present master takes a deep interest in Masonry, and his many gifts to this lodge are the best proof of his attachment to the Craft. There being no degrees to confer I had the lodge open and close in the three degrees, and the work was well done. The books are well kept by the Secretary, and Treasurer. A substantial bank account stands to the credit of the lodge. A large attendance was present. Everything betokens prosperity and harmony in this neck of the woods, or more properly, this lonely and romantic "Vale of Paradise."

On February 6th, 1913, I paid my official visit to Composite Lodge No. 30, Whithy. At this visit I had much difficulty in convincing some of the old P. Ms. that the work as given now was not an innovation, but the original work restored to us in its ancient form, the brethren of this lodge are very conservative and opposed to any new changes in Masonry, but when put on the right path I believe that they will stay there. The W. M., Bro. A. E. Christian and the Secretary, are competent officers and are working diligently to keep Composite Lodge in the front rank.

February 7th, 1913. I visited Faithful Brethren Lodge No. 77, Lindsay. I find this to be the most prosperous lodge in the district, having initiated thirty-three candidates in the last twelve months. W. Bro. Frank Webster is a capable Master, and has a very good staff of officers to assist him. The books are well kept by the Secretary and Treasurer. Two firsts and one second degree were exemplified in good form

on this occasion. The P. Ms. assisted in all the work, making it easy for the Master.

On February 14th, 1913, I visited Fidelity Lodge No. 428, Port Perry. The second degree was exemplified in good style. W. Bro. A. G. Carnegie is a capable Master, and has a good staff of officers to assist him. The books of this lodge are well kept, and the lodge is very prosperous. The lodge room is one of the finest in the district.

On February 18th, 1913, I visited Murray Lodge No. 408, Beaverton. I find this lodge fairly prosperous. The third degree was exemplified. This lodge is out of debt and has a beautiful and well furnished lodge room. I expect this lodge to prosper in the future as they have a bright set of officers coming to the front. The W. M., Rev. J. McKee McLennan was assisted in the work by two of the P. Ms., and the work was well done. The books of this lodge are well kept by the Secretary and Treasurer.

On February 19th, 1913, I visited The Spry Lodge No. 406, Fenelon Falls. This lodge is very prosperous and has beautiful commodious rooms. The W. M., Bro. F. Warren is a well skilled workman, and has a good staff of officers. The Secretary has his books kept in good order. I consider this one of our best lodges. There was no work for this night, but as this lodge exemplified the second degree at the Lodge of Instruction at Lindsay on the 10th of January, I know that they are capable of doing the work. I had them open and close in the three degrees, which they did in good style.

February 24th, 1913, I visited Mount Zion Lodge No. 39, Brooklin. This is the second oldest lodge in the district, and is very prosperous. At present they own the hall they meet in. It is a two storey frame building. The first storey is used for a public hall and the second storey for lodge purposes. On this occasion the second degree was exemplified and the work fairly well done. The Master, W. Bro. William Brash is a careful officer, and has a good staff of officers to assist him. The books are well kept. The future prospects for this lodge are very bright. The attendance was fairly good for an emergent meeting.

On February 25th, 1913, I visited Cedar Lodge No. 270, Oshawa. This is one of the best lodges in the district. I received a most royal reception on this visit. The third degree was exemplified on this occasion in a manner that reflects great credit on the Master, W. Bro. John Gibson and his officers. The P. Ms. give valuable assistance. There are two lodges in this prosperous town, and the greatest fraternal feeling and affection is manifested between them. The Master and many of the members of Lebanon Lodge were present on this occasion, besides many visitors from other lodges. The books are well kept. I consider this lodge one of the most prosperous lodges in this district. Great harmony prevails in this lodge.

I visited King George V Lodge No. 498, Cobocok, March 18th, 1913. This was an emergent meeting called to receive my official visit, and was well attended. I received a most royal welcome. This is the last lodge organized in this district. They have a good lodge room and are very prosperous. The second degree was exemplified in a most satisfactory manner. W. Bro. Austins is a capable Master, and has a good staff of officers. I consider this a promising young lodge.

On March 21st, 1913, I visited Verulam Lodge No. 268, Bobcaygeon. Owing to the severe storm which prevailed on this date the attendance was small. W. Bro. Smith and his officers conferred the third degree, and the work was well done. This lodge has very comfortable quarters, and is prosperous, having a large bank account to its credit. The books are well kept by the Secretary, and the dues kept well paid up. There are very few in arrears.

On April 18th, 1913, I visited Harding Lodge No. 477, Woodville. The attendance was small, no doubt, owing to the severe electrical storm which prevailed at the time. There was no work conferred. The lodge was opened and closed in the degrees, which was well done by the W. M., Brother A. W. Granger and his officers. The Secretary has his books well kept. The dues are fairly well paid up.

Fraternally submitted,

NEIL L. PATTERSON, D. D. G. M.,
Ontario District No. 12.

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
Table Shewing the Work Done in Ontario District No. 12, from June 24th, 1912, to June 24th, 1913.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Members'ip		Total No. of all Mem.	Degr's Conf'd		Admissions		Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N.P.D.	Suspensions, other causes	Meet's held			Aver. atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 mths in arrears	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance		
			Increase during year	Decrease during year		E. A.	F. C.	M. M.	Regular					Emergent	Total												
330	Composite	Whitby	79	4		71	8	2	1	1				2	11	9	4	13	20	40	3	30	June 1913	Good	Good	Yes	400 00
339	Mount Zion	Brooklin	61	7		66	6	5	1						9	4	13	20	40	10	130	Jan. 13	Fair	Yes	1500 00		
77	Faithful Breth.	Lindsay	241	24		24	29	31	1	1	6				21	14	35	32	126	15	19	Dec. 27	Good	Yes	1200 00		
139	Lebanon	Oshawa	137	5		6	6	6		1					21	4	15	30	20	10	125	Dec. 27	Good	Yes	1000 00		
268	Verulam	Bobcaygeon	66		1	4	3	1		1	5				13		13	14		9	55	Dec. 27	Good	Fair	Yes	400 00	
270	Cedar	Oshawa	117		4	5	9	14	2	1	7				2	10	5	15	21	63	14	268	Dec. 28	Good	Good	Yes	1700 00
338	Victoria	Kirkfield	38	5	3	5	4	3							1	1	1	13	12			Dec. 27	Fair	Yes			
406	The Spry	Fenelon Falls	74		2	1	4	3		1					10		2	12	15		21	81	Jan. 22	Good	Good	Yes	
408	Murray	Beverton																									
428	Fidelity	Port Perry	126	7		7	4	3	2						2	11	4	15	25	37	154	Jan. 20	Good	Good	Yes	700 00	
440	Arctalia	Minden	64	1		3	4	7							1	12	1	13	17	10	14	75	Jan. 4	Good	Good	Yes	300 00
451	Somersville	Kilmount	55	3		3	1									6		9	15	9	14	60	Dec. 27	Poor	Better	Yes	
463	North Entrance	Hallburton	39													9		6	10	10	00		Dec. 1912	Good	Fair	Yes	175 00
464	King Edward	Sunderland	66		4	4	4	2							1	12	2	14	18		8	40	June 30	Fair	Fair	Yes	500 00
477	Harding	Woodville	51	1						1					10		10	10	10	5	00	7	Dec. 27	Fair	Fair	Yes	1200 00
498	King George V.	Cobocouk	37	6		5	3	1	1						12	5	17	14					Jan. 1913	Good	Good	Yes	200 00

PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT NO. 13.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have great pleasure in presenting my report of Prince Edward District No. 13—the banner district (we think) and this a banner year. I am glad to report great progress and harmony throughout the whole of this section of Grand Lodge.

Let me first convey to my brethren, my heart-felt thanks for conferring on me the greatest honor which has yet befallen my lot. I greatly appreciate the kindness which has been shown me on every visit I have made as representative of the Grand Master. This is a hard district to cover but my year's work has been one of great pleasure and profit to me and I trust also to my brethren. I wish also to thank M. W. Bro. Aubrey White and R. W. Bro. R. L. Guun for their kindness and assistance to me during the past year.

The Semi-Centennial Fund was fully paid up by every lodge in this district shortly after I came into office, thanks to my energetic predecessors, and we are now ready for something more along the same direction.

The condition of Masonry in the district generally is very bright and over two hundred new members were added to the lodges and these new brethren we hope will prove a credit to the Craft, as great scrutiny has been the watch-word in every lodge. On my official visits the third degree predominated.

The majority of the lodges own their buildings and I have induced others to make a start and I hope in the near future to see every lodge in a home of its own.

This year saw the adoption of the per capita tax of 12½ cents per member paid by each lodge for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the D. D. G. M.,

his regalia and an annual Lodge of Instruction, and I would strongly recommend every district to adopt this plan, as it not only enables the weaker lodges to benefit by having Lodges of Instruction in their midst but eases the responsibility of the larger lodges.

I am pleased to report that the social part of Masonry is not being neglected, and fourth degrees and at-homes are becoming more frequent at which papers on interesting subjects are read and in this way the interest is being preserved.

I have encouraged the lodges to exchange visits with each other and thus bring about greater perfection in the work and promote good fellowship. The work throughout the district is in conformity with the regulations laid down by Grand Lodge but great dissatisfaction is expressed everywhere over the present mode of balloting and I hold that the former method was less confusing and more sacred and binding and would not lead to so many mistakes by the older brethren.

The books are well kept in all the lodges and all the Secretaries are efficient and prompt with one or two exceptions in regard to the last Grand Lodge Report.

I visited every lodge once, and some more often and I desire to express my sincere thanks to all the brethren of Belleville and elsewhere who have so kindly assisted me throughout the year.

Lodge of Instruction

On May 22nd I held a Lodge of Instruction under the auspices of Moira Lodge No. 11. This is the first Lodge of Instruction held since adopting our per capita tax to defray the expenses. The committee of Belleville brethren from the three lodge on making the necessary arrangements did their work so thoroughly that the day was a complete success. The lodge room not being considered large or safe enough the City Hall had to be secured and it was packed to overflowing, over four hundred being present and only two lodges of twenty not being represented.

Although the M. W., the Grand Master could not be with us I was pleased to have so many past and present Grand Lodge officers among whom were R. W. Bros. Col. Ponton, J. Newton, R. H. Spencer, Dr. Cobb, Dr. Post, G. Stafford, L. Terwillegar and J. Shaw and V. W. Bro. A. R. Walker. At 2 p.m. Bro. Elliott and officers of Franck Lodge No. 127, Frankford exemplified the first degree. At 4.30 p.m. W. Bro. Dr. Black and officers of Percy Lodge No. 161, Warkworth exemplified the second degree. In the evening W. Bro. Jarman of Bancroft Lodge No. 482 Bancroft, exemplified the third degree. I am glad to report that in every degree the work was as perfect as it is possible to get it and showed great preparation. The discussion that followed each degree was most intelligent and there were some new features brought out which will be copied by all the lodges present. R. W. Bro. Col. Ponton gave the real treat of the evening in a Masterly address on Masonry.

Fraternal Dead

It is my sad duty to report the death of several of the brethren whom we have learned to love but who are now called to the Grand Lodge above.

Moirea No. 11. W. Bro. Frederick John Frost died May 9th, 1913, Bro. Adace Gilbert Comings, F. C., died May 2nd, 1913, Bro. Arthur Peter Carroll, M. M., died February 26th, 1913, Bro. John Mathew Clark, E. A., died October 20, 1912, St. Johns No. 17, W. Bro. Fred Metcalf died December 21, 1912, Bro. C. H. Simmons, died October 10th, 1912, Prince Edward No. 18, W. Bro. Peter Davis, Bro. Thomas Warring, Bro. Sherman Scott, United No. 29, Bro. N. Huffman, W. Bro. Clouston, Trent No. 38, Bro. W. W. Farley, died March 18th, 1913, Stirling No. 69, Bro. George Cotton, M. M., died July 19th, 1912, Colborne No. 91, Bro. W. J. Gleason, Bro. Rev. J. T. Dowling, The Belleville No. 123, Bro. W. B. Hudson died Nov. 21st, 1912, Bro. A. E. Fry, died February 23rd, 1913, Star in the East No. 164, W. Bro. F. C. Spencer, died February 21st, 1913, Bro. John D. Ousterhout died March 18th, 1913, Lake No. 215, Bro. J. Knox Graham died March 20th, 1913, Marmora No. 222, W. Bro. Thomas Warren, Bro. Archi-

bald Kennedy, Tweed No. 239, Bro. Chas. Green, died December 18th, 1912, Craig No. 401, Bro. James Stokes, W. Bro. Fred Frost.

Visits

Oct. 21st, 1912. Franek Lodge No. 127 Frankford. To make this, my first official visit, I had to get out of a sick bed to be on hand but the freshness of the air was good medicine for me and I was feeling fit when I reached Frankford. I was right royally greeted by over sixty brethren. W. Bro. Sills assisted by W. Bro. Howell and an excellent staff of officers gave the first degree in a very pleasing manner and I can offer only words of commendation for this thriving lodge. This is one lodge where good-fellowship abounds and my visit here will be long remembered.

Oct. 31st, 1912. Stirling Lodge No. 69, Stirling. I visited Stirling Lodge which under the wise generalship of W. Bro. Dr. Potts has been brought to a fine state of perfection and the indiscriminate blackballer who almost ruined the lodge has been quelled. This lodge is in a very prosperous condition having initiated seventeen and conferred thirty six degrees during the year. They own their own building and have had it re-furnished and decorated and great harmony prevails among the brethren. The W. M. and an energetic staff of officers conferred the third degree in a very creditable manner. Stirling Lodge has practically abolished the tiresome after dinner speeches, and papers and addresses on Masonic subjects are given instead.

Nov. 19th, 1912, Madoc Lodge No. 48, Madoc. Paid my official visit to this lodge and was received in a most hearty manner. The W. M., W. Bro. Dr. Wright was assisted by W. Bro. Macgregor very impressively. This lodge is prosperous and own their home and have money in the bank. W. Bros. Young, Morrice, F. Cottle, McGregor and Hill are a quintette of P. Ms. who hold the offices of Chaplain, Secretary, Treasurer, D. of C., and Tyler and are a great assistance to the lodge. The occasion of the D. D. G. M's visit to Madoc Lodge is always one be remembered as nothing is left undone to make it pleasant and agreeable to all. There were brethren present from all the surrounding lodges.

Nov. 22nd., 1912. Tweed Lodge No. 239, Tweed. I visited this lodge and saw W. Bro. Porritt confer the third degree almost word perfect. It was a pleasure to see so many brethren who had reached the sear and yellow leaf of old age still taking a keen interest in lodge work. W. Bro. Wray in his 85th year and 54 years a Mason was present, and in good health. Tweed Lodge has one of the best Secretaries in the district and a good Secretary cannot be overestimated. After the work was over an At-Home was given in the opera house where the wives and sweethearts were handsomely entertained and a very enjoyable time was spent. This At-Home is an annual event and aids in keeping up the great interest shown by this lodge.

Dec. 27th, Moira No. 11. The Belleville No. 123. Eureka No. 283. I officially visited the three Belleville lodges. Belleville, the birthplace and home of Masonry in this district always has been and will retain the respect and love of all the younger lodges in this community. On this St. John's night I was asked to perform the Installation ceremony for the three lodges, an honor which I appreciated very much. Special dispensation had to be secured to hold the ceremony in the city hall as the Temple could not accommodate the crowd that was expected. On entering the lodge, where over four hundred brethren had assembled, I was received and welcomed by R. W. Bro. Col. Lazier, the oldest D. D. G. M. in the district. I was assisted in performing the Installation ceremony by R. W. Bros. O'Flynn, McGinnis and Terwillegar and W. Bros. Cooper and Simmons. Past Masters' jewels were presented to the following P. Ms. of Belleville: R. W. Bros. Col. Lazier and F. D. Diamond and W. Bros. Dr. Farley, W. Adams and John Macintosh. Greater perfection is expected by city lodges and one could not see more perfect work than that done by these three Belleville lodges as they have three excellent Masters in W. Bros. Macintosh, Adams and Simmons. The two incoming Masters W. Bros. Cooper and Canning are well up in their work and the junior officers are hard workers and will keep the reputation of Belleville as a Masonic centre in the fore. In all there were 220 degrees conferred by the three lodges and 75 new members accepted and the class of material was the best in

the city. Ex-Premier Bro. Hon. Sir Mackenzie Bowell was present and celebrated his 89th birthday, and gave a humorous address with much of his old time vigor. Bro. Rev. A. S. Kerr and W. Bro. J. W. Johnson gave instructive addresses.

Jan. 21st. United Lodge No. 29, Brighton. I made my official visit by motor. The roads were beautiful for the time of year and the moon shone very brightly. W. Bro. Bedel conferred the third degree very creditably being his attempt during his term of office. Harmony and prosperity abound in United Lodge, and this is due in no small way to the efficiency of the Secretary who reports no arrears of dues.

Feb. 14th, 1913. Marmora Lodge No. 222, Marmora. This lodge is prospering and has recently re-decorated and re-furnished their rooms and they have now beautiful and comfortable quarters. W. Bro. Gladney conferred the first degree assisted by good junior officers very creditably and I expect good results from this lodge.

Feb. 17th, 1913. Lake Lodge No. 215, Ameliasburg. I started to make my official visits in Prince Edward County at Lake Lodge No. 215. W. Bro. Dr. Fox in his second term of office has greatly improved and with his good staff of officers conferred the second degree very well indeed. This lodge has good prospects and own their own home and to-night celebrated the paying off of their indebtedness and burned the mortgage.

Feb. 18th, 1913. Star in the East Lodge No. 164, Wellington. I found Star in the East Lodge all that its name implies. W. Bro. Dorland conferred the first degree impressively before a crowd of one hundred and twelve brethren which shows the interest and enthusiasm which is manifested here. R. W. Bro. Dr. Cobb performs the duties of Chaplain in a very beautiful manner which cannot fail to impress the candidate. W. Bro. Wilson, the oldest P. M. and W. Bro. Dr. Rattan who is now seventy three years old, are regular attendants. I was sorry to hear of the illness of W. Bro. Spencer who has since been summoned to the Grand Lodge above.

Feb. 19th, 1913. Consecon Lodge No. 50, Consecon. I visited this lodge on the above date and found fifty brethren assembled in very fine lodge quarters owned by the lodge and it was built and paid for in five years which is sufficient reason to congratulate them. This lodge has the smallest membership in the district but Masonry is prospering in its midst. W. Bro. McDonald conferred the third degree in a very earnest manner. The P. Ms. turn out in large numbers which evinces the great interest taken by them. Harmony prevails and the financial condition and future prospects are very bright.

Feb. 20th, 1913. Prince Edward Lodge No. 18, Picton. Prince Edward Lodge is in the very front rank of the lodges in this district, not only in membership, lodge rooms and furnishings, but also in the quality of work done. W. Bro. Mallory conferred the first degree ably before one hundred and twenty brethren assembled from all the surrounding lodges; he was assisted by an intelligent staff of junior officers and the prospects of this lodge are the very best. This is one of two lodges in the district which shows no arrears for which we must thank the energetic Secretary. The ladies of the Presbyterian Church served a dainty luncheon in the church parlors and the proceeds went to the Ladies' Aid Society which is a good way to practice charity.

Feb. 24th, 1913. Percy Lodge No. 161, Warkwork. I made my official visit to Percy Lodge on Feb. 24th. W. Bro. Dr. Black, in a masterly way, conferred the third degree which with the singing this lodge always introduces made a very impressive ceremony. W. Bro. I. Humphries, fifty two years a Mason and fifty years a P. M. performed his duties as Chaplain with great sincerity and the whole work was much appreciated by everyone. The junior officers are exceptionally well chosen and I hope this lodge will continue as it has in the past year. The regular attendance is very small but the members are enthusiastic and great harmony prevails.

Mar. 18, 1913. Trent Lodge No. 38, Trenton. My official visit to Trent Lodge was one of great pleasure. The first degree was exemplified by W. Bro. Hoag assisted by R. W. Bro. Spencer who is always on hand

to give assistance. It was pleasant to see such a crowd of efficient P. Ms. present and to notice the harmony that prevails in this lodge. One thing that is peculiarly striking in this lodge is the beautiful set of tracing boards done in oil and embracing more than is found in the regular ones and Grand Lodge might well authorize them for all lodges. The junior officers are well chosen and the prospects are very bright.

Mar. 21st. 1913. Colborne Lodge No. 91, Colborne. I visited this lodge on one of the stormiest nights of the year (Good Friday.) the attendance was very small, but to those who were present it was a real treat to witness the way in which W. Bro. Peebles and his officers put on the third degree. This lodge has good prospects but there was a lack of interest shown by the P. Ms. of whom very few were present. I might say that this lodge has the most complete rooms in the district. The furnishing, lighting and tracing-boards I should recommend to all lodges who are contemplating re-furnishing their rooms.

April 29th. 1913. St. John's Lodge No. 17, Cobourg. St. John's Lodge is fortunate in having a good Master in W. Bro. A. J. Gould who conferred the first degree in good shape. There was an extra large turnout of the brethren and the P. Ms. were also well represented. This is the only lodge in the district without tracing boards and with everything else so complete it is regrettable that these are missing, but the W. M. has promised to procure these in the near future.

May 6th. 1913. Craig Lodge No. 401, Deseronto. This lodge is prosperous and Masonry is flourishing. The W. M., W. Bro. Alexander conferred the third degree and is possessed of a wonderful memory and with a little more experience will be a very capable Master. W. Bros. Woodcock and Dewar conferred the first degree ably and should prove valuable assistance to the W. M. I deeply regretted that W. Bro. Frost owing to illness could not be with us.— he, though on his death bed sent his respects to the brethren and myself.

May 20th. 1913. Golden Rule Lodge No. 126, Campbellford. Visited my own lodge on this date and

owing to the absence of the W. M., W. Bro. Harris, who has moved to Saskatoon, W. Bro. Dr. Bonnycastle conferred the first degree in good shape. I might say that I have seen Bro. Harris confer the three degrees and he was very capable and would have been a great assistance to Golden Rule Lodge had he remained with us and we were all loath to part with him. There were not as many P. Ms. out as I should have liked to have seen but there was a good attendance of the brethren. This lodge has bright prospects as the junior officers are hard workers and good Masonic students. A fund has been started to build a Masonic Temple which I hope to see started in the near future. I also visited this lodge on the annual P. Ms. night when the third degree was beautifully exemplified by W. Bro. F. C. Bonnycastle, assisted by V. W. Bro. Wensley and W. Bros. Macintosh and Adams of Belleville.

June 30th, 1913. Bancroft Lodge No. 482, Bancroft. I visited the baby lodge of the district on this date and dedicated their beautiful hall. W. Bro. Jarman conferred the third degree in a manner that might well be copied by some of the older lodges. Too much credit cannot be given this thriving young lodge as they own their own building and have fine new furnishings and are to be congratulated on their staff of junior officers and Secretary. My visit here will long be remembered for such hospitality and love that abound in this great north country can only be appreciated by visiting.

Fraternally submitted,

O. C. WATSON, D. D. G. M.,

Prince Edward District No. 13.

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
Table Shewing the Work Done in Prince Edward District No. 13 from June 24th, 1912, to June 24th, 1913.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Mem- bers'ip		Degr's Conf'd		Meet's held											Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance								
			Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year	Decrease during year	E. A.	F. C.	M. M.	Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N. P. D.	Suspen- sions, other causes	Regular	Emergent	Total	Aver. atten'ce of members					Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 m'ths in arrears	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return				
11	The Mohra	Belleville	296	7	19	20	20	2	3	9	4	4	4	4	12	8	20	54	217	55	51	163	25 Dec.	27, 12	Good	Very gd	Yes	10,000 00	
17	St. John	Cobourg	141	8	5	6	4	3	2	1	3	2	2	2	2	13	4	17	25	15	100	00	June	24, 12	Good	new bet	Yes	1,000 00
18	Prince Edward	Pictou	230	4	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	12	5	17	41	65	00	Jan.	1913	Good	Fair	Yes	4,200 00
29	United	Brighton	119	11	6	5	8	10	2	4	4	4	2	9	4	13	27	280	00	Dec.	27, 12	Good	Exce't	Yes	1,700 00
38	Trent	Trenton	140	18	8	17	11	13	1	7	7	1	1	12	5	17	25	15	00	3	10	00	Dec.	27, 12	Good	Good	Yes	800 00	
48	Madoc	Madoc	129	7	7	9	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	1	25	20	00	4	35	00	Dec.	27, 12	Good	Good	Yes	2,000 00		
50	Consecon	Consecon	61	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	13	1	14	20	.....	6	12	00	Dec.	27, 12	Fair	Exce't	Yes	1,000 00	
69	Stirling	Stirling	102	18	5	17	10	9	1	1	3	1	1	13	5	18	27	.....	40	160	00	Dec.	27, 12	Good	Good	Yes	1,500 00	
91	Colborne	Colborne	104	4	5	5	5	7	1	2	2	1	2	12	2	4	19	45	00	8	24	50	Dec.	27, 12	Good	Good	Yes	1,000 00	
123	The Belleville	Belleville	264	30	3	29	30	27	1	1	1	1	2	12	7	19	40	100	00	15	83	00	Dec.	27, 12	Good	Good	Yes	Joint	
126	Golden Rule	Campbellford	89	1	5	5	5	5	1	2	1	1	1	11	4	15	20	25	00	7	28	00	Dec.	27, 12	Good	Good	Yes	6,000 00	
127	Frank	Frankford	115	11	13	11	11	1	1	3	1	1	1	13	2	15	37	.....	6	25	00	Dec.	27, 12	Good	Bright	Yes	Joint	
161	Percy	Warkworth	82	1	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	1	10	2	12	20	55	00	30	70	00	Jan.	15, 13	Fair	Fair	Yes	350 00	
164	Star in the East	Wellington	136	4	3	2	2	4	2	1	1	1	1	13	2	15	35	25	00	8	63	50	Dec.	27, 12	Good	Good	Yes	2,000 00	
215	Lake	Ameliasburg	74	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	1	11	25	10	00	8	46	00	Dec.	31, 12	Good	Bright	Yes	1,000 00	
222	Marmora	Marmora	94	13	4	15	14	14	1	2	2	2	2	11	2	13	15	50	00	50	125	00	Dec.	27, 12	Good	Good	Yes	1,000 00	
239	Tweed	Tweed	126	5	8	9	7	1	1	3	1	1	1	14	1	15	29	.....	4	17	50	Dec.	27, 12	755 86	Good	Good	Yes	400 00
283	Eureka	Belleville	146	24	3	24	26	25	1	1	1	1	1	10	6	16	29	35	00	51	192	75	Dec.	27, 12	Good	Good	Yes	Joint	
401	Craig	Deseronto	97	3	3	3	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	2	1	127	84	15	65	00	June	24, 12	Good	Fair	Yes	800 00	
482	Bancroft	Bancroft	88	7	9	12	11	1	1	2	1	1	1	14	2	16	21	.....	4	154	00	Jan.	24, 13	Good	Good	Yes	1,500 00	

FRONTENAC DISTRICT NO. 14

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor to submit herewith my report for Frontenac District No. 14, for the past year. I desire first to express my sincere thanks to the brethren of this district for conferring on me the honor of election to the office of D. D. G. M. and again for the fraternal manner in which I was everywhere received on my visits official and otherwise and for the cordial assistance and support so cheerfully given by the past grand officers and brethren generally whenever I found it necessary to appeal for help in any form.

Shortly after my election to office I appointed W. Bro. P. H. Burke, District Secretary and V. W. Bro. G. W. Grout, District Chaplain and I am indebted to these brethren for assistance and counsel on many occasions.

I have visited every lodge in the district save one and was prevented from making this visit on the appointed date by illness in my family and as all arrangements had been made with the lodge R. W. Bro. Carscallen kindly relieved me of this duty and made the visit.

So far as I have been able to observe there is unbounded enthusiasm for the outlook of our order among the brethren. The older generation of Masons is still very much in evidence and their precept and example is stimulating to the younger men who are taking up the active work. Although the field is not so large as many of the other districts the outlook is good. I found the officers on the whole well skilled and the business affairs of the various lodges carefully looked after. Every lodge is carrying insurance, and some lodges are following in the footsteps of their brethren in other places and planning Masonic buildings of their own.

Fraternal Dead

During the course of the past year the following fraternal dead have been reported to me:

Union Lodge No. 9, Arthur Toomey, M. M., Wm. Jas. Wright, M. M., Jas. Woodhams, M. M., John Allen Pratt, M. M. Leeds Lodge No. 201, Thos. Berry, M. M., Geo. Fraser, M. M., Robt. McBroom, M. M., A. C. Watt, P. M. Minden Lodge No. 253, R. Young, M. M., A. McMahon, M. M. Victoria Lodge No. 299, Robt. Cox, P. M. Lorne Lodge No. 404, Edward McGuire, M. M., J. H. McLaughlin, P. M.

Lodge of Instruction

On Friday, December 6th, 1912, a Lodge of Instruction was held at Kingston under the auspices of the three Kingston lodges. Owing to a regrettable misunderstanding, for which I must assume the responsibility, the Grand Master was unable to be present. There was a large turnout of the brethren from all parts of the district, over 300 being present, and all parts of the work were exemplified and general discussion indulged in. In the evening a banquet was held at the City Hall, at which interesting and instructive addresses were given by local past grand officers and brethren. I wish to express my thanks to the Kingston lodges for the success of the gathering held under their auspices.

Official Visits

Prince Arthur Lodge No. 228, Odessa. I visited this lodge on Monday, Sept. 30th, 1912. There was no candidate, but W. Bro. Caton raised the lodge and conducted the business in a most satisfactory manner. The Secretary's books are well kept and the finances are in a healthy condition. In spite of the fact that the night was a most disagreeable one, there was a good turn-out.

Simpson Lodge No. 157, Newboro. I visited this lodge on Thursday, Oct. 3rd, 1912. There was a good turn-out of members. W. Bro. Dier and his officers conducted the business of the evening in a manner to be commended. The second degree was conferred

on a candidate prepared for advancement. The records are carefully kept and finances are in a good condition. The lodge is fortunate in retaining the sympathetic interest of its older members.

Westport Lodge No. 441, Westport. I visited this lodge on Friday, Oct. 4th, 1912. There was a good attendance. There was no candidate, but W. Bro. Ewart raised the lodge and conducted the business in a most capable manner. The Secretary's books are well kept and the lodge's finances are in good condition. Interesting addresses were given by R. W. Bro. Cobb, P. G. C. and others.

Maple Leaf Lodge No. 119, Bath. I visited this lodge on Monday, Oct. 21st., 1912. There was a good turn-out of the members of the lodge, all the officers being present. There was no candidate. W. Bro. Huffman and his officers, however, are to be commended on the way in which the affairs of the lodge were conducted. The Secretary's books are in good order. There is a mortgage of \$1,500 on the new lodge rooms, but the lodge is planning to gradually wipe this out.

Lorne Lodge No. 404, Tamworth. I visited this lodge on Friday, Nov. 22nd, 1912. W. Bro. Jones and his officers were all present and conferred the second degree in a most capable manner. The lodge's finances are in good condition and the brethren are planning to build lodge rooms of their own.

Victoria Lodge No. 299, Centreville. I visited this lodge on Thursday, Dec. 19th, 1912. There was a good attendance of the members. W. Bro. Loughhead conferred the second degree in a faultless manner. The finances are in good condition and the outlook for future progress is good.

Leeds Lodge No. 201, Gananoque. I visited this lodge on Tuesday, Jan. 21st, 1913, and assisted by R. W. Bro. Shaw and R. W. Bros. Skinner and Graham of Gananoque. I installed the officers for 1913. There was a good meeting. The finances of the lodge are in a healthy condition and the records are carefully kept. The brethren of Leeds Lodge are to be congratulated on the splendid accommodation they now enjoy in their new and handsome quarters.

Ancient St. John's Lodge No. 3, Kingston. I visited this, my mother lodge on Thursday, Feb. 6th, 1913. W. Bro. Burke and all his officers were present. The third degree with musical setting was conferred on a brother duly qualified to be raised, and was very impressively done. The finances of the lodge are in good condition and the Secretary's records are quite satisfactory.

Cataraqui Lodge No. 92, Kingston. I visited this lodge on Friday, Feb. 14th, 1913. W. Bro. Warwick and all his officers were present. Two candidates were given the first degree in a faultless manner. There was a large attendance, including several of Cataraqui's past grand officers. The Secretary's records are well kept and the lodge's finances show a large balance on the right side.

Rideau Lodge No. 460, Seeley's Bay. I visited this lodge on Thursday, Feb. 20th, 1913. W. Bro. Gilbert and his officers conferred the first degree on two candidates, and did their work very satisfactorily. The lodge's records are kept in a satisfactory manner and the finances are in a healthy condition.

Union Lodge No. 9, Napanee. I visited this lodge on Friday, Feb. 21st, 1913. There was a good attendance of officers and members. W. Bro. Allison and his officers conferred the second degree on a candidate prepared for advancement. The financial condition of the lodge is quite satisfactory, and the Secretary's records are deserving of commendation.

Elysian Lodge No. 212, Garden Island. I visited lodge on Monday March 3rd, 1913, and was cordially received by W. Bro. Kennedy and his officers. There was no candidate. This lodge is small in numbers, owing to conditions entirely beyond their control, but all are enthusiastic Masons, and with the past grand officers who preceeded me, I can report that it is a great pleasure to meet with them.

Minden Lodge No. 253, Kingston. I visited this lodge on Tuesday, March 4th, 1913. The W. M. was absent through illness, but W. Bro. Forster, I. P. M. conferred the first degree on two candidate in a faultless manner. There was a large attendance of the

brethren. The finances of the lodge are in a most satisfactory condition, and the Secretary's records leave nothing to be desired.

Prince of Wales Lodge No. 146, Newburgh. I visited this lodge on Wednesday, March 19th, 1913. There was a good turn-out of the brethren. W. Bro. Wilson and his officers conferred the first degree on a candidate in a manner that called for commendation. The lodge's finances are in a healthy condition, and the Secretary's work is done in a manner that is above criticism.

Albion Lodge No. 109, Harrowsmith. I visited this lodge on Friday, April 18th, 1913. The weather conditions were most unfavorable, but there was a large number present. W. Bro. Gilbert and his officers conferred the first degree in a very impressive manner. The lodge's finances are healthy, and the Secretary's records are well kept.

St. Andrew's Lodge No. 497, Arden. Owing to reasons already referred to, I was unable to make this visit and R. W. Bro. Carscallen very kindly undertook the work for me. W. Bro. Loyst and his officers conferred the third degree on four candidates properly prepared to be raised. This is the youngest lodge in this jurisdiction, but they are enthusiastically looking to the future. R. W. Bro. Carscallen reports that the finances are healthy, and the Secretary's work is all that is to be desired.

Fraternally submitted,

A. R. B. WILLIAMSON, D. D. G. M.,
Frontenac District No. 14.

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
Table Shewing the Work Done in Frontenac District No. 14, from June 24th, 1912, to June 24th, 1913.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year	Decrease during year	E. A.	F. C.	M. M.	Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, other causes	Increased	Regular	Emergent	Meet's held	Aver. atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 mths in ar'rs	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance
33	Anc't St. John's	Kingston	224	15	18	25	21	26	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	50 00	3	70 00	Dec. 1912	Good	Good	Yes	Yes
9	Union	Napanee	153	9	11	13	10	27	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	110 00	20 36	50 00	Dec. 27, 12	Good	Good	Yes	700 00
92	Cataract	Kingston	217	17	25	21	27	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	21 26	110 57	59 50	Dec. 27, 12	Good	Good	Yes	Yes
109	Albion	Barrow's Smith	87	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	21 14	25 47	179 40	Dec. 27, 12	Good	Good	Yes	1000 00
119	Maple Leaf	Barrow's Smith	72	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10 00	12	60 00	Dec. 27, 12	Good	Good	Yes	2100 00
146	Prince of Wales	Newburgh	75	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13 16	1	27 00	Dec. 27, 12	Good	Bright	Yes	2100 00
157	Stimpson	Newburgh	74	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13 16	1	27 00	Dec. 27, 12	Good	Good	Yes	2100 00
201	Leeds	Montreal	182	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13 16	1	27 00	Dec. 27, 12	Good	Good	Yes	2100 00
201	Elysian	Montreal	182	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13 16	1	27 00	Dec. 27, 12	Good	Good	Yes	2100 00
228	Prince Arthur	Montreal	64	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13 16	1	27 00	Dec. 27, 12	Good	Good	Yes	2100 00
253	Minden	Montreal	157	13	16	14	17	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13 16	1	27 00	Dec. 27, 12	Good	Good	Yes	2100 00
299	Victoria	Montreal	51	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13 16	1	27 00	Dec. 27, 12	Good	Good	Yes	2100 00
404	Lorne	Montreal	70	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13 16	1	27 00	Dec. 27, 12	Good	Good	Yes	2100 00
441	Westport	Westport	58	5	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13 16	1	27 00	Dec. 27, 12	Good	Good	Yes	2100 00
460	Rideau	Westport	73	3	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13 16	1	27 00	Dec. 27, 12	Good	Good	Yes	2100 00
497	St. Andrew's	Arden	39	9	6	5	5	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13 16	1	27 00	Dec. 27, 12	Good	Good	Yes	2100 00

ST. LAWRENCE DISTRICT NO. 15

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

In presenting this report of St. Lawrence District for the past Masonic year for your consideration, permit me first to express my thanks to the officers and members of the various lodges for their many kind acts extended on the occasion of my official and other visits, and to all the brethren who so kindly at expense and trouble accompanied me on many of those visits. It has been a great pleasure and much profit, the manner in which the brethren received and entertained your district deputy.

My first official act was the appointment of W. Bro. R. Craig of St. Francis Lodge No. 24 as District Secretary and Bro. (Rev.) D. N. Coburn of Osiris Lodge No. 489 as District Chaplain.

In October the matter of holding a Lodge of Instruction in the district was taken up at the request of the M. W., the Grand Master. Arrangements were accordingly made and a dispensation issued to Sussex Lodge No. 5 and Salem Lodge No. 368, of Brockville, for the purpose of holding a Lodge of Instruction in that town on Monday January 27th, 1913.

A very large number of brethren from the various lodges throughout the district attended this meeting, every lodge being represented by the W. M., or other officers. M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, Grand Master, added much dignity and a great amount of pleasure to the meeting by his presence, and the kindly words which he spoke to the brethren with instructive lessons both during open lodge and after refreshments, will not soon be forgotten by those who had the pleasure of listening. The W. Ms. and officers of the lodges taking part in the ceremonies in the various degrees exhibited marked ability in the manner in which they performed the work assigned to them. This meeting

proved to be the most successful Lodge of Instruction in every respect that has been held by the lodges of St. Lawrence district. The interest of the brethren in the work of our lodges was shown in the number of inquiries for explanation of points relative to the work. A feature of the evening that proved of advantage was the taking up in the afternoon of the third and second degree work, with the first at the evening session, thereby giving more time for the brethren to fraternize and hold social intercourse, allowing also for an early departure for home. The lodges contributed a tax of 10 cents per member towards the expenses and the amount proved sufficient to meet all requirements.

To the brethren of Brockville I extend the thanks of the district for the assistance they so willingly rendered on this occasion.

On December 9th, I visited Salem Lodge No. 368, arriving late, just after the election of officers. The third degree was worked in a very creditable manner on a candidate who was well skilled in his work. After the lodge was closed a conference was held with the officers of Sussex and Salem Lodges at which arrangements were made for the above Lodge of Instruction.

December 18th, I visited Harmony Lodge No. 370, Delta. There was a good attendance. The officers were proficient in the work and appeared to take an interest in their lodge. The work of the Craft in general does not appear to be given the same consideration. This lodge does not regularly send a representative to Grand Lodge and no importance seems to be given to doing so.

January 16th. Rising Sun Lodge No. 85, Athens. My visit to this lodge was under adverse circumstances because of the terrible condition of the weather, and the large attendance of brethren, mostly from outside of the village, was an indication that much interest is taken in the lodge by these brethren. W. Bro. Earl occupied the chair and assisted by W. Bro. Hambly, initiated a candidate very satisfactorily, after which the W. M. called upon the D. D. G. M. to install the officers of the lodge. Some parts of the work as done by the officers in this lodge required some remarks

from myself. The brethren willingly agreed to conform in every respect to the regulations in the future. These brethren have splendid lodge quarters in a thriving community and their lodge should show much prosperity.

Merrickville Lodge No. 55, Merrickville. January 21st. Accompanied by 17 enthusiastic brethren from Smith's Falls, I visited this lodge and no better reception was accorded your representative anywhere than that given by the officers and members of this progressive lodge. W. Bro. Kidd is the youngest in years of any Master in the district and perhaps the youngest Masonically, filling this important office, his work being almost perfect, he starts out well to make a name for himself in Masonic circles. The other officers of the lodge also have ability to fill the offices for which they have been elected. The books of the Secretary and Treasurer show these officers to be capable. The lodge room while not large is beautifully furnished.

True Britons Lodge No. 14, Perth, February 3rd. An enthusiastic reception was given by the W. M. and brethren. W. Bro. Girdwood performed the duties of his office in the work of the third degree, also the opening and closing ceremonies in an extremely satisfactory manner. His work must have a decided effect on the candidates as it is given with much impressiveness. This lodge has during the last few years taken on new life and from the high standard of quality in the candidates being received, the future is very bright and a great work can be done.

St. Francis Lodge No. 24, Smith's Falls. This being my home lodge I have had the pleasure of visiting the lodge officially on several occasions; November 19th, P. Ms.' night, one of the notable occasions yearly in this lodge. On this occasion W. Bro. Carss, a P. M. of nearly 40 years standing occupied the chair and initiated a candidate in a very satisfactory manner. December 27th, assisted by other P. Ms. I installed Bro. F. L. McCrumm as W. M., and invested the officers for 1913. February 10th, my official visit was arranged for this evening when W. Bro. McCrumm initiated two candidates in the manner that

upholds the reputation this lodge has attained in correct conferring of degrees. The reception of the District Deputy was in that hearty manner that was to be expected from his home lodge. This lodge holds a record that few others can equal, that of having only four dollars (\$4.00) unpaid dues and no suspensions for two years. To the efficient work of the Secretary is largely due this good record. There was a very large attendance of members and many visitors from sister lodges. The lodge is working under great disadvantage because of lack of proper accommodation, with little hope for immediate relief because of the impossibility to secure better. I recommended the formation of a joint board of relief with Osiris Lodge and a close working together of these two lodges. The W. M. has had a strenuous six months work but has been equal to the task and seemed to try to excell all previous efforts.

McCoy Lodge No. 242, Mallorytown, March 17th. This lodge has a splendid staff of officers who with the members are enthusiastic and well informed. Their lodge room is clean and well suited for the work of the Craft. I recommended that their by-laws should be revised to conform to constitutional changes that have been made in recent years. The W. M. being absent by the unexpected call of his profession, W. Bro. C. Mallory performed the duties and passed a candidate to the second degree in a very creditable manner.

Lyn Lodge No. 416, Lyn, March 18th. Unfortunately the lodge is placed so that its territory is very limited in size, and a large number of members who at one time were prominent in the work of the lodge have left for other places, leaving very few available for attendance at meetings. However those who remain are enthusiastic Masons and do not feel discouraged. The finances are in splendid shape and with such members this lodge may yet attain to the position it once held in point of numbers.

Sussex Lodge No. 5 and Salem Lodge No. 368, Brockville, March 19th. This was an emergency meeting of both these lodges for the purpose of receiving in joint meeting the District Deputy Grand Master.

The hearty manner in which the brethren received the D. D. G. M. is only a slight token of the brotherly feeling that exists among the brethren in Brockville, and their respect for Grand Lodge. Altogether my relations with the brethren here have been of such a pleasant nature that I cannot express my thanks to them in proper words but my appreciation will always be felt for the help which was rendered by them. The initiation of a candidate in the first degree by the W. Ms. and officers of the two lodges was in the correct manner that is characteristic of these lodges. There is no doubt of the prosperity of both lodges here.

Lansdowne Lodge No. 387, Lansdowne. On March 20th, I visited this lodge. The attendance was good. The second degree being worked by the W. M., proving his ability and that of the other officers. The books are in splendid shape, also the finances. The lodge room is clean and well appointed. The membership is mostly among the farmers of the vicinity, and they are quite enthusiastic for their lodge. Under the guidance of competent officers this lodge will continue to prosper.

Osiris Lodge No. 489, Smith's Falls. My official visits to this lodge were made on two occasions. January 7th I had the honor of installing Bro. R. C. Rose, as W. M., and assisted by P. Ms. of the lodge invested the other officers. The occasion was marked as an event by the large attendance of members, also many visitors from sister lodges.

On March 29th I had the pleasure of again visiting this progressive lodge. The lodge has shown great progress in the short time of its existence. The business is very systematically conducted and the work of the officers in every respect is equal to the high standard attained by others. On this occasion the second degree was given in a manner that could not but impress the candidate with the beauty of Masonic work. The books of the lodge are models of neatness and the financial condition is good. The attendance at this meeting was large, a great many P. Ms. being present. The visit of familiar faces from nearby lodges was also a feature of the meeting. May the prosperity and good fellowship long continue.

Central Lodge No. 110, Prescott. Visited this lodge April 1st. when I received a warm reception. The lodge is in a very prosperous condition and its members are among the most enthusiastic I have met. The degree and other work of the officers showed carefulness in preparation. A large expenditure was authorized at this meeting for new furniture and when installed this should be the best equipped room in the district. R. W. Bro. J. F. Graham proves an efficient Secretary.

Otter Lodge U. D., Lombardy. On April 15th, I visited this lodge and found such a decided change in the appearance of the room from a previous visit that I could not recognize it. The lodge has prospered during the first year of its existence. Bro. Nicholls makes an efficient Master and, with his officers, has made a creditable record for themselves during the year. The prospects are good with such energy and ability as at present displayed, and I hope for much good work to be done in this lodge. From starting in June 1912 the lodge now owns the furniture and building, except a small sum which it is expected will be paid before many months. The good brother to whom this is owing being quite willing to assist in this way. W. Bro. Nicholls, the Master, has reason to feel proud of his personal efforts. On June 17th I again visited this lodge and all that has been stated above can be confirmed; I therefore am pleased to recommend that a warrant be granted to this lodge to be constituted as a regular lodge at a suitable date.

Crystal Fountain Lodge No. 389, North Augusta. My visit took place on April 17th. The lodge has been passing through a period of relapse and I found the members feeling the effects of the situation, for where no labor is there is usually no enthusiasm. The lodge rooms are well arranged and the finances are good, the building being the property of the lodge and as an investment is quite profitable. No applications are being received which does not prove that all the material of this well-to-do jurisdiction have become members of the Craft. The situation is one for the members of the lodge to consider well together, and in their public and private acts show to the outside world

the happy and beneficial influence of Freemasonry. I believe a renewed season of prosperity lies before this lodge if the officers apply themselves to the duties of their office.

Mount Zion Lodge No. 28, Kemptville. April 19th I visited this old and prosperous lodge. My reception could not have been more cordial, and the evening passed very pleasantly indeed. In the new room and new furnishings the brethren have an ideal lodge home and feel justly proud of it. The second degree was conferred on a candidate in a very satisfactory manner. My instructions to the W. M. and members will, I feel confident, be carried into effect. The books and finances are in splendid shape.

St James' Lodge No. 74, South Augusta. My visit to this lodge on April 21st, was one of anticipated pleasure fully realized. The brethren in this home of Freemasonry, in this part of Canada, are upholding the principles and traditions of the Craft in a highly commendable manner. The lodge is very prosperous and in the work a keen interest is taken. There being no degree work for this evening the opening and closing in each degree was splendidly done, also parts of the degree work exemplified in which the members showed great interest. The meeting was one of profit and pleasure to all in attendance. The Secretary is capable and particular in his work, the records being quite properly kept.

Semi-Centennial Fund—It is with much regret and a feeling of disappointment that I have to report little progress made to pay off the balance due this fund by three of the prosperous lodges of the district. An effort was made early last September and continued during the remainder of my term with as already stated very unsatisfactory results. However all may yet measure up to their responsibility in the near future.

I have visited each lodge once and some of them oftener during the year and now at the close of my term of office I feel that the Craft on the whole is prospering in St. Lawrence District. In this report I have tried to give an accurate account of my stewardship and hope the brethren will feel that it has been

given in the true spirit of our great institution and for the good of Freemasonry in this district. I have omitted referring to the social feature of the meetings on the occasion of my visits. I commend the lodges for the manner in which these social functions are conducted. Personally the temptation was great to make them a burden to my body, but strong resolution not to partake too eagerly, enabled me to come off victor against the temptation. The intellectual entertainment was on all occasions of high standard, an experience from which I have found much pleasure and which the brethren enjoyed.

Fraternally submitted,

W. HYNDMAN, D. D. G. M.,

St. Lawrence District No. 15.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

Table Shewing the Work Done in St. Lawrence District No. 15, from June 24th, 1912, to June 24th, 1913.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Members'ip		Degr's (Conf'd)			Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N.P.D.	Deceased	Meet's held			Aver. atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 m'ths in a't's	Total of all arrears	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance					
			Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year	Decrease during year	E. A.	F. C.						M. M.	Regular	Emergent										Total				
51	Sussex	Brockville	282	10		11	11	9	3	3	1		3	12	11	23	34	202	20	30	129	00	Dec.	27, 12	Good	Yes	B. of T.		
14	True Britons	Perth	138	12		9	7	6	2	1	7		1	11	6	17	22	30	00	8	64	00	Dec.	27, 12	Good	Yes	700 00		
24	St. Francis	Smith's Falls	172	15		2	15	18	19	1			1	13	13	26	30	231	40	1	4	00	Dec.	27, 12	Good	Yes	500 00		
28	Mount Zion	Kemptville	79	5		7	6	5	1	3				13	2	15	18	5	00	12	72	00	Feb.	3, 13	Good	Yes	700 00		
55	Merrickville	Merrickville	102	6		4	4	4	2	1				13		13	15			17	35	50	Dec.	27, 12	Good	Yes	200 00		
74	St. James	South Augusta	86	3		3	3	4					1	13		13	20	30	00	13	101	00	Feb.	17, 13	Good	Yes	1300 00		
85	Rising Sun	Athens	74	6		1	6	10	10	1	1			10		11	20			18	59	15	Feb.	10, 13	Good	Fair	Yes	300 00	
110	Central	Prescott	137	9		2	11	11	1	3				3	12	3	15	25	75	00	25	89	50	Dec.	27, 12	Good	Fine	Yes	750 00
389	Crystal Fountain	North Augusta	51	7		6	6	4	1					12		12	15	25	00				Feb.	1, 13	Good	Fair	1 1/2	Yes	
368	Salem	Brockville	197	8		11	12	13		1				2	12	8	20	36	93	90	9	115	00	June	24, 13	Good	Excel't	Yes	B. of T.
370	Harmony	Delta	72	5		9	4	3	3	1	6			2	12	1	13	15	10	00	3	6	00	June	24, 13	Good	Good	Yes	Yes
387	Lausdowne	Lausdowne	56	3		3	3	3	1		1			10		2	12	15		6	15	00	Jan.	1, 13	Good	Fair	Yes	Yes	
242	Macy	Mallorytown	93	2		1	2	1		1				1		1	22			5	37	50	Dec.	27, 12	Good	Good	Yes	Yes	
416	Lyn	Lyn	42	1		1	1	1		1				1		7	1	8	10		14	30	00	Dec.	31, 12	Good	very gd	Yes	Yes \$500
489	Ostris	Smith's Falls	75	7		4	3	6	8		5			9		3	12	22	75	00				Jan.	7, 12	Good	Good	Yes	350 00
UD	Other	Lombardy	30	16		14	14	11	2					13		6	19	11					June	24, 13	Good	Good	Yes	500 00	

OTTAWA DISTRICT NO. 16

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor to submit herewith my report on the condition of Masonry in the Ottawa District No. 16, for the year 1912-1913.

I desire to express my gratitude for the distinction my brethren have bestowed upon me, in intrusting me with the supervision of this district during the past year, and also for the many courtesies which I have received at their hands; especially am I thankful to those brethren who have accompanied me in the course of my visits and have rendered valuable assistance and advice on every possible occasion.

I appointed W. Bro. Rev. E. A. Baker, of The Builders' Lodge, Ottawa, District Chaplain, and I wish to record my appreciation of his services in this office.

I have visited all the lodges in the district at least once. My visits were paid at the regular meetings, with one exception, in which case an emergent meeting was convened for the purpose. On every occasion one of the degrees was exemplified for my inspection, and I am pleased to state that Masonry in this part of the jurisdiction is in a most satisfactory condition. Those who have been placed in charge of the affairs of the different lodges are capable brethren, well qualified to discharge their respective duties.

Corner Stone of Ottawa Masonic Temple

On Saturday afternoon, 12th October, 1912, the corner stone of The Ottawa Masonic Temple was laid by the M. W., the Grand Master, there being a very large number of the Craft in attendance. M. W. Bro. White was presented with a silver trowel, suitably inscribed, as a souvenir of the occasion, and at the conclusion of the ceremony, he addressed the assem-

blage very ably. In the evening, at a dinner tendered at the Chateau Laurier, fine addresses were delivered by the Grand Master, the Grand Secretary and R. W. Bro. A. S. Goodeve, of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia. This ceremony was certainly the most important Masonic event that occurred in the Ottawa District during the past year.

Lodge of Instruction

I requested the brethren of The Lodge of Fidelity to conduct a Lodge of Instruction under their auspices, and they readily consented to do so. This lodge was held in Ottawa, on Wednesday, 26th February last, and was an unqualified success from every standpoint. In the afternoon, The Lodge of Fidelity, with W. Bro. R. R. Farrow in the East, conferred the first degree; while V. W. Bro. J. H. Leach and the brethren of Pembroke took charge of the second degree. In the evening W. Bro. Samuel Short and his officers of Civil Service worked the third degree. The work in all the degrees was of a superior class, and reflected the greatest credit on those taking part. The third degree, always impressive, was made more so than usual, by the introduction of beautiful music during the ceremony. There was not much discussion, as the character of the work left little opportunity for criticism.

The Lodge of Fidelity must be complimented for the efficient way in which they discharged the important duties committed to them, and the district at large is under a debt of gratitude to this lodge for the service rendered the Craft, in holding this Lodge of Instruction.

Official Visits

St. John's Lodge No. 63, Carleton Place. I visited this good old lodge on 9th October, this being my first official visit. I received a most cordial welcome. The W. M., W. Bro. J. A. MacLaren, conferred the E. A. degree, and as there were two candidates, he was assisted by the I. P. M., W. Bro. A. H. Edwards. The work of all the officers was very creditable and worthy of praise, the distinct enunciation of all the brethren being particularly pleasing. The members of St. John's Lodge are very energetic and may be relied on in keep-

ing Masonry alive in their vicinity. They have provided themselves with a handsome new building containing all the necessary apartments for the needs of the Craft, and for their zeal in this respect they are to be highly commended.

Chaudiere Lodge No. 264, Ottawa. My official visit was paid to this lodge on Tuesday, 22nd October. I was welcomed by the W. M., W. Bro. John Gray, in the presence of a large attendance of the brethren of the city. The work was conferring the Master Mason's degree, which was executed in a pleasing and altogether satisfactory manner. The musical portion of the ceremony proved most enjoyable, adding materially to the solemnity of the degree, and I took occasion to compliment the brethren on their excellent work. I had the pleasure of presenting W. Bro. C. H. B. Sievers with a P. M.'s. jewel, the gift of the lodge. This lodge is doing good work, and at present, is enjoying much prosperity.

Renfrew Lodge No. 122, Renfrew. I was accorded a splendid reception when I visited this lodge on 4th November. There was a very fair attendance, and the work presented was the F. C. degree, which was, indeed, very well done. W. Bro. W. H. Harris is a very earnest Master and is well supported by his officers. The Secretary's books are kept in excellent shape. The lodge has fine quarters and is quite prosperous, so that its prospects are of the brightest.

The Lodge of Fidelity No. 231, Ottawa. I paid my official visit to this lodge on 19th November. There was an exceptionally large attendance, including many distinguished brethren, among whom was the Grand Junior Warden Miller. The first degree was conferred by W. Bro. R. R. Farrow and his officers in a most workmanlike manner. The W. M. is a skillful workman and is supported by a staff of very efficient officers. This was one of the largest, and also one of the most enjoyable meetings I attended during my term of office.

Mississippi Lodge No. 147, Almonte. There was a large number of the brethren of Mississippi Lodge present when I visited them on 6th December. W. Bro. Samuel Davis presided and conferred the first degree,

with the assistance of his officers in excellent form. This lodge is fortunate in having a good set of officers, a handsome lodge room with the necessary ante rooms and equipment and every indication of a bright future.

The Builders' Lodge No. 177, Ottawa. On Friday, 13th December, I visited this lodge and was very cordially received. There was a very large number present, but this was not to be wondered at as this lodge enjoys the distinction of occupying the premier position in the District as to average attendance at its meetings. W. Bro. David A. Esdale presented the E. A. degree for inspection. The work was ably performed, calling for my commendation. At the request of the W. M., and on behalf of the lodge, I presented W. Bro. A. H. McKee with a P. M's. jewel as a token of esteem from his brethren. During the evening R. W. Bro. H. R. H. Kenner, of Peterborough, delivered an excellent address on "The Symbolism of the Third Degree." The Builders' Lodge is carrying on good work and is in a very prosperous condition.

Dalhousie Lodge No. 52, Ottawa. The lodge room was filled to its utmost when I visited this lodge on 7th January. This is my mother lodge, and it was only natural and expected that I should receive a warm welcome when I appeared in my official capacity, and I was not in the least disappointed. The work of the evening was the first degree by W. Bro. Walsh and his officers, and it was exceedingly well done. As I regularly attend the meetings of my lodge, I have ample opportunity of judging the work at the various meetings, and I take a great deal of pleasure in stating that a high standard has been maintained throughout the year. W. Bro. Walsh is a most impressive ritualist and is well supported by his officers. During the evening I was called upon to make two presentations on behalf of the lodge, a P. M's. jewel to I. P. M., George Parker, and a gold-headed cane to Bro. William Richards to commemorate the fifty-first anniversary of his initiation into Dalhousie Lodge.

Madawaska Lodge No. 196, Arnprior. I visited Madawaska Lodge on 13th January. I met with a very fraternal greeting from the Arnprior brethren,

there being a good number in attendance. W. Bro. Archibald McNab and his staff of officers conferred the third degree in a very impressive way. The W. M. is thoroughly acquainted with his work. The candidate displayed great proficiency in his examination and deserves every credit for the way in which he acquitted himself. The lodge room is both comfortable and attractive, admirably suited for our ceremonies.

Civil Service Lodge No. 148, Ottawa. This lodge was visited on Tuesday, 11th March. There was a very good attendance and I received a warm welcome at the hands of W. Bro. Samuel Short, the W. M. The work was the first degree, which was exceedingly well rendered. W. Bro. Short is an accomplished Craftsman, particularly well qualified for his office, and is fortunate in possessing an efficient set of officers. Civil Service Lodge has a fine array of musical talent within her ranks, and the selections introduced during the evening were much appreciated.

Carleton Lodge No. 465, Carp. I visited this lodge on Friday, 21st March. It was a very disagreeable night owing to a severe wind storm and the roads were in poor condition, consequently the attendance was rather slim, nevertheless, I was well received by those present. W. Bro. Howard Graham presided, and conferred the first degree, the work being well done. This lodge is largely composed of a rural membership, many of the brethren having to travel a considerable distance to attend. The Secretary is an efficient officer and his books are well kept. The lodge has suitable quarters and appears to be prosperous.

Prince of Wales Lodge No. 371, Ottawa. I visited this lodge on Friday, 28th March. There was a fine attendance. W. Bro. D. K. McIntosh occupied the chair and worked the E. A. degree particularly well, being ably supported by all his officers. There is a large number of young men in this lodge and their presence and activity were much in evidence during the evening. This lodge is now enjoying its full share of prosperity and its prospects for the future are of the brightest.

Pembroke Lodge No. 128, Pembroke. I attended

this lodge on Thursday, 3rd April, and met with an enthusiastic welcome characteristic of the Pembroke brethren. The attendance was very large, including many eminent in the Craft. W. M. Joseph R. Robinson worked the Master Mason's degree in such an excellent manner as to leave no opportunity for adverse criticism, and consequently, I highly complimented the officers for their excellent work. The musical portion of the ceremony was very fine, and worthy of every praise. The candidate was well prepared for his examination and I congratulated him for the way in which he did his part. M. W. Bro. Burritt presided at the festivities in the banquet room.

Doric Lodge No. 58, Ottawa. I was present at this lodge, in my official capacity on Friday, 4th April. The attendance was good, considering this was my seventh appearance before my Ottawa brethren. W. Bro. James M. Hurcomb extended a most fraternal greeting, and then proceeded with the work of the evening, which was the first degree. The ceremony was very well performed and worthy of the officers of this good old lodge. Doric Lodge possesses very capable officers and splendid work is being done. W. Bro. Greenfield is a good Secretary, and from his long experience is well fitted for his position.

Cobden Lodge No. 459, Cobden. I proceeded to Cobden on Tuesday, 8th April for the purpose of paying my official visit. My reception was very cordial, the attendance being large, and the greatest enthusiasm prevailed. W. M., J. F. Moffatt conferred one first and two second degrees. The work was very well rendered and worthy of commendation. The candidates for the second degree showed remarkable proficiency, and I never before witnessed such excellence in this respect. The lodge has a very comfortable hall and is doing excellent work.

Evergreen Lodge No. 209, Lanark. I made my official visit to this lodge on Tuesday 6th May. Upon arrival at the lodge room I found an exceptionally large attendance, and I received a suitable reception from the W. M. W. Bro. David McLaren, who has occupied the chair of his lodge at many different times for years past, worked the first degree with marked

ability. Evergreen Lodge is now in a good condition, and its prospects are quite bright. W. Bro. C. M. Forbes is an excellent Secretary, and his books are neatly and correctly kept.

Bonnechere Lodge No. 433, Eganville. My official visit was made to this lodge on 12th May, when I met with a splendid welcome. I was pleasantly surprised at the large gathering present. The work consisted of the first degree, there being two candidates. The first was conferred by W. Bro. Wm. Senn, I. P. M., and the other by the Master, W. Bro. James A. McMillan. W. Bro. Senn had completed his work before my entry to the room, so I had not the pleasure of listening to him. W. Bro. McMillan performed his work in an excellent manner, it being quite evident that he had devoted much time and attention to its preparation. All the officers acquitted themselves creditably. This lodge received a severe blow by being burned out about two years ago. The reverse, happily, was only temporary, for now the brethren have procured well appointed quarters, including ante and refreshment rooms. The lodge room is beautifully furnished, spacious and well suited for its purpose. Too much praise cannot be accorded the Eganville brethren for their exertions in making such rapid progress.

Russell Lodge No. 479, Russell. Sixty brethren accompanied me to Russell when I paid my official visit to this lodge on Thursday, 15th May. We found a large number of the Russell brethren assembled, together with visitors from the Eastern District, and our reception was most cordial. W. M., N. E. Ronan and his officers conferred the first degree in splendid form. This is the youngest lodge in the district, but it has made steady progress since it was instituted. The Secretary is a very energetic officer, having occupied his position since the inception of the lodge.

Corinthian Lodge No. 476, North Gower. I found a good attendance when I visited Corinthian Lodge on Friday, 16th May, and my welcome was all that could be desired. W. Bro. H. G. F. Blair presided and conferred the F. C. degree on two candidates in a very able manner. The work of the other officers was also very good. This lodge is in a fine financial posi-

tion, is doing good work, and is enjoying a full measure of prosperity. Good taste has been displayed in furnishing the lodge room, which is very comfortable and quite adequate for the needs of the brethren. The building is owned by the lodge, bearing very good testimony to the enthusiasm of the members of the Craft of North Gower.

Goodwood Lodge No. 159, Richmond. This was my last official visit, and it was made on the 20th May. There was a very good attendance to greet me, my reception being most fraternal. W. Bro. W. G. Beddoe conferred the first degree exceptionally well, being assisted in the work by his regular officers. The W. M. is an impressive worker and thoroughly acquainted with his duties. The Secretary of the lodge is well fitted for his position, and he manages the affairs of his office very efficiently. I understand that steps are being taken with a view of procuring a new hall for Goodwood Lodge, and I consider this action timely, as the present hall is too small and altogether unsuited for the requirements of the Craft.

The Grim Reaper has not been idle during the past year, but has been plying his trade with ruthless hands. The following deaths in our ranks have been brought to my notice.

Dalhousie Lodge No. 52, Ottawa. R. W. Bro. J. F. Harvey, Bro. W. J. Deevey, M. M., Bro. Alexander Duncan, M. M., Bro. William Flegg, M. M., Bro. John Gray, M. M., Bro. W. F. Taylor, M. M. Doric Lodge No. 58, Ottawa. Bro. G. A. Sparks, M. M. St. John's Lodge No. 63, Carleton Place. W. Bro. W. M. Dunham, P. M., Bro. E. D. Edwards, M. M., Bro. R. Elliott, M. M., Bro. T. Hodgins, M. M., Bro. G. Jamieson, M. M., Renfrew Lodge No. 122, Renfrew. W. Bro. Rev. J. Hay, P. M., Bro. Robert Leitch, M. M., Bro. Thomas Morris, M. M., Bro. Calom Russell, M. M., Pembroke Lodge No. 128, Pembroke. W. Bro. P. McCagherty, P. M., Bro. D. B. Warren, M. M., Bro. James Wright, M. M. Mississippi Lodge No. 147, Almonte. Bro. William Hogg, M. M. Civil Service Lodge No. 148, Ottawa. Bro. C. T. Gibbs, M. M., Bro. William Ogilvie, M. M. Goodwood Lodge No. 159, Richmond. Bro. Edward Kidd, M. M., (also a member

of Corinthian Lodge No. 476, North Gower.), Bro. S. F. Lindsay, M. M. The Builders' Lodge No. 177, Ottawa. R. W. Bro. David Taylor, P. D. D. G. M., Bro. John Briggs, M. M., Bro. W. Buchan, M. M., Bro. G. H. Bothwell, M. M., Bro. W. A. Sparks, M. M. Madawaska Lodge No. 196. Arnprior. Bro. C. A. R. Dulmage, M. M. The Lodge of Fidelity No. 231, Ottawa. V. W. Bro. J. A. Campbell, W. Bro. Fred D. Crowe, P. M., Bro. George Bell, M. M., Bro. R. P. Robinson, M. D., M. M., Bro. William Young, M. M. Chaudiere Lodge No. 264, Ottawa. W. Bro. W. D. Jones, P. M., Bro. J. W. Thompson, M. M. Prince of Wales Lodge No. 371, Ottawa. Bro. James Deans, M. M., Bro. Samuel Gamble, M. M. Cobden Lodge No. 459, Cobden. W. Bro. Robert Delahey, P. M., Bro. A. J. Drysdale, M. M. Carleton Lodge No. 465, Carp. Bro. W. F. Carruthers, M. M., Bro. David McKay, M. M. Corinthian Lodge No. 476, North Gower. Bro. James Craig, M. M., Bro. Edward Kidd, M. M., (also a member of Goodwood Lodge No. 159, Richmond.)

The duties of a D. D. G. M. are exacting and sometimes even onerous, but not devoid of considerable pleasure, and in completing my term of office I have the satisfaction of knowing that my endeavors have been at least earnest, so if my services have been appreciated or beneficial I shall feel amply repaid for my exertions.

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN C. SCOTT, D. D. G. M.,
Ottawa District No. 16.

ALGOMA DISTRICT NO. 17

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and
Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of
Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

In submitting my report on the state of Masonry in this, the western outpost of the fraternity in the jurisdiction of this Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, it is with the feeling that I have failed to discharge the duties falling upon a representative of the Grand Master in that manner which would reflect credit upon him. At the same time I desire to say that the brethren have been most forbearing with me and have been uniformly courteous and kind. I desire here to thank the brethren of this large district for the honor conferred upon me and to express my appreciation for the most marked expression of confidence that they are capable of giving. In return I have tried to render help where it was needed, to encourage where it was required and to promote that close relation which should exist between the various lodges and establish a greater measure of harmony, if that were possible.

In my visits, official and unofficial, to the lodges I was received with uniform courtesy and honor. The records and books were laid before me and in all ways the officers assisted in giving me a clear understanding of the state of the lodges. They were quick to adopt suggestions and showed an earnest desire to standardize records and render uniform the work. In compliance with instructions received from M. W., the Grand Master I instructed in the work and I feel that never at any time has the same been so uniform in this district as at the present time.

During the year I had the pleasure of presiding at two important Masonic functions, first on September 30, when with the assistance of R. W. Bros. S. W. Ray, J. W. Morgan, James Perry, Fred Symes, and eighteen Worshipful Brothers, and P. Ms. of lodges extending from Vancouver to Toronto. I constituted and consecrated Port Arthur Lodge No. 499. This ceremony

was witnessed by two hundred of the brethren of Port Arthur and Fort William and visiting brethren. I also, on the same evening installed W. Bro. J. T. Hollinshead as W. M. and invested the officers, all of whom were present. This new lodge has since shown the necessity for its establishment and is among the healthiest in the district.

Early in the present year I received a petition from a number of brethren at West Fort William, a section of the city of Fort William, for a new lodge at that place. The brethren proposed to meet in Royal Lodge for a time. The petition received the sanction of the M. W., the Grand Master and I was authorized to institute the new lodge on 19th May, which I had the pleasure of doing. This lodge is known as Connaught Lodge and promises to be worthy of the illustrious exponent of Masonry for whom it is named.

I also received a petition for a lodge at Graham, on the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, two hundred miles from Fort William, but owing to a combination of circumstances the petition is still not acted upon. I may say, for the information of the fraternity, that the Grand Trunk Pacific, being located far from the homes of Masonry through this district, will in the future offer a fruitful field for our fraternity. At, and tributary to Graham, upon my visit to that place, I found upwards of fifty Masons, who if they desire to visit a lodge must travel two hundred miles by rail, or across country by river and trail fifty miles, the nearest point at which a lodge is to be found. I hope that the circumstances will be such in the opinion of the M. W., the Grand Master that a lodge will be established at Graham during the coming Masonic year.

Semi-Centennial Fund

The lodges in the 17th district stand in good shape in regard to this fund. I received communication from the Grand Master that but one lodge owed anything to the fund, and I immediately corresponded with that lodge and also spoke of the matter on my visit. I received assurance that the amount due would be reduced by half right away and the balance paid before the end of June.

Lodge of Instruction

Acting upon instruction from the M. W., the Grand Master and with the consent of Shuniah Lodge No. 287 and Port Arthur Lodge No. 499 I called a Lodge of Instruction for the evening of June 5. Brethren to the number of over a hundred responded to the call and a profitable time was spent in the home of the lodges named. The Masters and officers of Port Arthur and Shuniah Lodges took part in the work exemplified and the lodge had the advantage of the presence and help of R. W. Bro. J. W. Morgan, R. W. Bro. W. S. Beaver and others. While all the work was not conferred that which was done was ably presented and the brethren expressed the desire that a similar lodge should be held each year. I heartily endorse this wish and trust that Lodges of Instruction may become a regular part of the District Master's work.

Rulings

In only a couple of instances was I asked for rulings and those given were received and acted upon.

I also lent assistance in healing breaches which had occurred and am glad to say that good effect was had.

Visits to Lodges

Owing to circumstances over which I had no control I was unable to pay official visits until the new year opened. However, I did visit all of the lodges in the district, but owing to distance to be travelled asked two lodges to call emergent meetings. My first visit was to Shuniah Lodge No. 287, Port Arthur. On 3rd February I visited this lodge and was pleased to find that W. Bro. Melville Thompson knew the work according to instructions given the D. D. G. M. at Toronto. The first degree was exemplified by W. Bro. Thompson and his officers in an able manner. This is the mother lodge of the district and its officers try to perform their duties as becomes the position of the lodge. The attendance on the occasion was large and the proceedings were participated in with marked degree of interest. I took occasion to lay before the lodge the message given on behalf of the Grand Master and Grand Lodge. The instructions were well received

and the brethren in their duties are observing the form carefully. Shuniah Lodge is in first class condition and is growing rapidly, though careful watch is kept over the ballot. Able assistance is rendered the Master by the I. P. M. and other P. Ms.

Port Arthur Lodge No. 499 was visited by me on the evening of..... Although he had been installed on the 27th December, like W. Bro. Thompson of Shuniah, W. Bro. A. Rome conferred the second and third degrees like a veteran. This was the baby lodge of the district and has proven itself to be a lusty child. Its affairs are conducted in a manner that speaks for the welfare of the lodge and the well being of Masonry. Every member has a warm interest in the lodge and renders all the help possible to the W. M. and officers. The utmost harmony prevails between the two lodges, to the meetings of which the brethren are made heartily welcome. The utmost care has been taken by the Master to make the work conform strictly with that required by Grand Lodge. Port Arthur Lodge has proven its worth to Masonry and bids fair for a long and profitable career.

When I visited Fort William Lodge No. 415, I found a large attendance and the usual interest displayed by the brethren of the lodge in the work. W. Bro. C. S. Read, the efficient Master was in the East and all of his officers were in their seats. A number of P. Ms. were present, all of whom are regular in their attendance at lodge meetings. This lodge may always be depended upon to make a good showing both on regular and emergent meeting occasions and when anything of a special nature is on the programme the members respond with true Masonic spirit and enthusiasm. The degree work as exemplified by the Master and officers on the occasion of my visit showed that the greatest care had been exercised by each in preparing himself for the duties of his office. Fort William has good material on the way. The lodge is in splendid shape and although it has now a good home in its own buliding there is some talk of a plan for the disposal of this building and the erection of a more imposing structure.

Granite Lodge No. 446. Fort Frances has made

wonderful improvement during the past couple of years and now ranks among those determined that the work shall be done in a manner above criticism. The strictures which were pronounced by a previous D. D. G. M. had the effect of awakening the brethren to the situation and they responded in a manner that does them credit. W. Bro. Floyd, the W. M., who had been instrumental in the improvement conducted the work of the third degree, assisted by W. Bro. Warner and R. W. Bro. Holland. I found the work performed in such a manner as deserved only praise. Here, as elsewhere I rendered assistance by instructing the officers and brethren in the work and was thanked for the same. While at Fort Frances I received an invitation to visit Koochiching Lodge at International Falls, Minnesota, a town across the Rainy River from Fort Frances. The Master and brethren were most kind in the treatment of myself and Bros. Osborne and Kinder, who accompanied me. A first degree was conferred and proved most interesting to me, for I had not had the privilege of witnessing work by an American lodge before.

Two days later I visited Ionic Lodge No. 461, Rainy River. Owing to the temporary closing of a large mill here the brethren had felt the effect upon the lodge. However, they make up any deficiency in this direction by the enthusiasm they have in the welfare of their lodge. A pleasant and profitable evening was spent in instruction and enquiry. I was glad to be of assistance in correcting the wording in parts of the work in the various degrees and the brethren expressed the pleasure they had had of participating in the meeting. The attendance was fair and included a number of P. Ms. Ionic has an energetic Secretary who is a factor in the lodge's welfare. W. Bro. Taylor receives able assistance from his officers. My successor will have the privilege of seeing degrees conferred by Ionic in a capable manner. I have no doubt. Rainy River is two hundred and seventy miles from Port Arthur and frequent visits to those far off lodges is not practicable to a District Master.

At Dryden, where Golden Star Lodge No. 484 is located the brethren received me with that measure

of uniform courtesy and kindness which was characteristic of my welcome in all of the lodges. My visit here occurred on March 11, 1913. I found that this lodge required instructions in portions of the work and took occasion to give the instructions in the several degrees. W. Bro. Pinkerton, W. M., was assisted in conferring the second degree by W. Bro. McPhail, I. P. M. The work was performed in a creditable manner, but was later improved, according to information conveyed to me from the lodge. A slight difference has occurred among some of the brethren, owing to an irregularity upon the part of one of the brothers and this is a condition that does not make for the good of the lodge or that harmony which we strive for in our relations towards each other. I paid a second visit to this lodge on 24th June for the purpose of installing Bro. C. B. Gordon as W. M., and then took occasion to refer to the matter, urging the brethren to heal any difference that might exist and I had the assurance of the Master that an effort would be made in that direction with the best hope for ultimate harmony.

I visited Lake of the Woods Lodge No. 445, Kenora, on Wednesday evening, March 12. Bro. J. A. Kinney, who had been elected Master, had not been installed on St. John's anniversary and he requested me to instal him, which I did with much pleasure. Following this ceremony W. Bro. Kinney conferred the second degree and after opening and closing the lodge in the third degree and otherwise demonstrating his familiarity with the work, closed the lodge. In the meantime I had taken occasion to correct the work in parts and started the new W. M. on the road as prescribed by Grand Lodge. Lake of the Woods enjoys a high position in Masonry and is doing good work. It has an excellent set of officers, and stands well financially. Like all the lodges in the 17th district it is making progress and is a decided help to the spread of truth as we see it.

Pequonga Lodge No. 414, is the second oldest lodge in the district and occupies a warm spot in the heart of every Mason of Northern Ontario. On the occasion of my visit I found the lodge had been practically without a Master for some time owing to the

Master having removed from the town. In the prospect of his permanent absence I advised that a new Master be elected. This same condition had previously occurred and while W. Bro. Brenchley gave his attention to the conduct of the lodge and was assisted by an able Secretary, yet no lodge may prosper as it otherwise would in the lengthy absence of the Master. The proceedings consisted of instruction in the three degrees, and a discussion on the work, participated in by many of the older brethren, and R. W. Bro. Curry. R. W. Bro. J. K. Brydon led in the discussion on part of the work with particular reference to alleged changes. I was greatly pleased to have a brother aged in Masonry declare that, as presented by me, that part referred to was identical with the work in England when he was made a Mason. At the conclusion of the meeting I had the pleasure of extending my remarks of the previous night and had the satisfaction of hearing the brothers say that the address had been of great benefit, calculated to make better Masons and truer men. I spoke on the genesis of Masonry and its adaptability to the promotion of good among men.

On the following evening, March 14th, Keewatin was visited by me. Keewatin Lodge No. 417, located in the village from which the lodge takes its name, is a healthy, though numerically not large, lodge. The brethren have been for a number of years paying off the debt on the lodge property which they own and which has proven quite a burden. The funds have been largely raised outside of the regular income of the lodge, and it will be realized that a heavy load has been carried by the limited number of brethren who may be called upon. Notwithstanding that they desired to pay the debt without touching the lodge funds proper, they have not been able to do so, and occasional drafts upon the funds have been necessary. For this reason Keewatin did not meet the payments for the Semi-Centennial Fund as promptly as the officers would have liked. They, however, were making arrangements at the time of my visit to pay a good portion of what was due and assured me that the entire amount would be paid by the end of June. W. Bro. House is an excellent Master and conducts the affairs of his lodge most creditably. He has

the assistance of earnest officers, who are deeply interested in the work. R. W. Bro. Cherry does not fail the lodge and altogether Keewatin is in nice shape, though not strong financially. Within a year they will have their home clear of debt and in fine condition. I was glad to be of assistance here also in instructing the brethren and was amply rewarded by the interest displayed. The third degree was exemplified in a splendid manner the work being practically perfect.

On Wednesday, 2nd April I visited Royal Lodge No. 453, Fort William and found the lodge in good working order. W. Bro. Babe, W. M. discharged his duties with credit. I had previously visited Royal and instructed the officers and brethren in the work as required by Grand Lodge, so that I found them quite proficient in the wording. Royal Lodge does not grow rapidly but takes in only those whom the members desire. Its membership consists largely of professional and business men, congenial spirits, who work for the good of Masonry and their own improvement. On the occasion of my visit W. Bro. Swinbourne and other P. Ms. were present. The books and records of Royal are always in good condition.

Past Masters' Association

This association is doing splendid work for Masonry and the improvement of mankind. During the year some notable papers have been read at its meetings and a couple have appeared in Craft journals. The experience of Port Arthur and Fort Fort William Association is an indication that similar associations in the various districts would be of marked benefit to Masonry.

In Conclusion

I desire to thank the brethren for all the many acts of kindness and uniform courtesy extended to me during the year.

Fraternally submitted,

FRANK B. ALLEN, D. D. G. M.,
Algoma District No. 17.

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
Table Shewing the Work Done in Algona District No. 17, from June 24th, 1912, to June 24th, 1913.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year	Decrease during year	Mem- bers'ip	Degr's Conf'd	Altitudes	Restorations	Restorations	Suspensions, N.P.D.	Suspensions, other causes	Regular	Emergent	Total	Meet'g's held	Aver. atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 m'ths in ar'r's	Total of all arrears	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance	
257	Shuniah	Port Arthur	279	34	22	26	33	11	5	4	..	..	14	16	30	32	104	50	55	576	05	Dec. 27, 12	Good	Good	Yes	Full
411	Pequonga	Kenora	168	1	9	11	12	..	5	4	5	4	4	13	5	18	19	30	00	9	125	00	Dec. 27, 12	Good	Yes	1100 00
415	Port William	Port William	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Yes	2500 00	
117	Keewatin	Keewatin	87	5	5	4	5	2	1	1	..	..	12	3	15	17	15	00	20	406	76	Dec. 27, 12	Good	Good	Yes	600 00
115	L. of the Woods	Kenora	48	9	8	1	1	1	1	3	1	..	11	11	9	..	2	100	00	2	100	00	Dec. 27, 12	Sound	Fair	600 00
116	Granite	Port Francis	88	9	7	5	5	1	1	1	..	..	12	5	17	15	..	..	..	..	..	Dec. 27, 12	Good	Good	Yes	800 00
153	Royal	Port William	129	8	6	5	8	6	1	1	..	..	12	4	15	20	..	..	..	..	..	June 24, 13	Good	Good	Yes	900 00
461	Lonie	Rainy River	93	6	2	3	5	1	1	1	..	2	14	10	24	16	..	..	..	..	..	..	Good	Good	Yes	1100 00
484	Golden Star	Dryden	81	9	4	1	3	1	1	1	10	2	13	14	12	50	00	..	..	..	..	Dec. 27, 12	sm'll bal	Good	Yes	..
479	Port Arthur	Port Arthur	104	28	23	22	22	5	..	..	..	..	13	18	31	42	135	00	2	48	00	Dec. 27, 12	Good	Exce'l't	Yes	..
178	Connaught	Port William	22	3	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	3	13	..	..	..	..	..	Dec. 27, 12	Good	Good	Yes	..

NIPPISING DISTRICT NO. 18

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration my report on the conditions of Masonry in the eighteenth Masonic District for the past year.

I desire to place on record my gratitude to the brethren of the district for the confidence placed in me by election to the office of D. D. G. M., and for the many kindnesses extended to me by the officers and members on my visits to the different lodges.

The brethren of the district give much attention also to the social side of Masonry and the impressions gained by your representative at the banquets were that the brethren of Nippising District are equally well skilled in the fourth degree.

I am pleased to report that Nipissing District is enjoying a full measure of prosperity and that the utmost harmony prevails. A substantial increase in membership has been in evidence and I am quite satisfied that the material accepted is true and worthy of our fraternity.

I was very fortunate in having for my District Secretary, W. Bro. J. Fowler, who has been of great assistance to me and relieved me of a lot of detail work.

The work throughout the district is being exemplified in a uniform manner and in accordance with Grand Lodge requirements. The work of the Secretaries is worthy of comment and has added materially to the progress of the different lodges.

My first official visit act was to institute Porcupine Lodge, U. D., on September 6th. I was accompanied by R. W. Bros. Haentschel and Haynes, V. W. Bro. Weegar, W. Bro. Murdock and several of the brethren from Haileybury and Cobalt. The brethren have erected their own building and have very comfortable and

commodious quarters. Addresses were delivered by the visiting brethren and words of counsel given to the officers and members of the new lodge.

Silver Lodge No. 486, Cobalt, January 13th, 1913. Meeting emergent. W. Bro. McLeod presided, attendance large. The third degree was exemplified in a very creditable manner. The brethren own their own building and to my mind have struck the happy medium of having excellent appointments, without overdoing it. The books and records are well kept.

Elk Lake Lodge, U. D.. I instituted this lodge on January 14th, 1913 and was accompanied by R. W. Bro. Haentschel, V. W. Bros. Weegar and Hallett, W. Bro. Barton and a number of other brethren. The brethren have their lodge rooms very nicely decorated. Unfortunately their furniture had been delayed in delivery from the manufacturers but when the brethren get it in place, they will have a well equipped lodge room. The brethren who have been named by the M. W., the Grand Master to preside, are well skilled and I have confidence in the integrity of the officers and members to guard well the portals.

Haileybury Lodge No. 485, Haileybury, January 15th, 1913. Meeting emergent. I visited this lodge and had the pleasure of seeing W. Bro. Johns and his officers confer the first degree on a candidate in a faultless manner. The lodge has a fine choir, which adds much to the impressiveness of the ceremonies. The brethren have a most elaborately furnished lodge room, complete in every detail. V. W. Bro. Ebbitt is an admirable Secretary and the success of the lodge is in a great measure due to his executive ability.

Temiskaming Lodge No. 462, New Liskeard, January 16th. Meeting regular. W. Bro. McLeod presided. The work of the evening, a third degree, was exemplified by W. Bro. McLeod and his officers in a most impressive manner indeed. The W. M. informed me that it was the custom to divide up the work among the P. Ms., which I consider an ideal one to keep the P. Ms. interested. The brethren own their own building, splendidly furnished, with a large banqueting room and kitchen well equipped to take care of the social

part of the work. After the regular work was finished, R. W. Bro. A. J. Young, on behalf of the lodge, presented W. Bros. McKelvie, Haynes, Monaghan, Summers, Taylor and Neil with P. Ms'. jewels. The Secretary has the books and minutes entered up carefully to date.

Algoma Lodge No. 469, Sault Ste. Marie, March 17th. Meeting emergent. The W. M. unfortunately was confined to his home through illness. The work of the evening, a first degree, was conferred by W. Bro. Ross, assisted by several of the P. Ms. in a manner that was very creditable indeed. A pleasant rivalry exists between Algoma and Keystone which attains far towards perfection in the work of both these lodges.

Keystone Lodge No. 412, Sault Ste. Marie, March 18th. Meeting emergent. W. Bro. Hayward presided. The third degree was conferred on a candidate with full musical programme in a manner that was most impressive. The lodge is the strongest numerically in the district and the brethren are very enthusiastic. The Sault brethren are now preparing plans for their new Masonic Hall.

Nickel Lodge No. 427, Sudbury, May 7th. Meeting regular. W. Bro. Stull presided. The work of the evening being the first degree. This being my mother lodge I have an opportunity of seeing the work done in the different degrees and can report that they are in every way keeping up to the record which they have enjoyed in the reports of the P. D. D. G. Ms. The Secretary is an encyclopedia pertaining to lodge matters and keeps the books and records up to date.

Sturgeon Falls. Lodge No. 447, Sturgeon Falls. May 12th. Meeting regular. I visited this lodge on their regular meeting night and was fortunate to see W. Bro. Cockburn and his officers confer the third degree on a candidate. The lodge is in a flourishing condition and the W. M. informed me that they had a number of candidates on the waiting list. The Secretary has the books kept very neatly.

Nippissing Lodge No. 420, North Bay, April 28th, 1913. Meeting emergent. W. Bro. Laing presided and assisted by his officers conferred the first degree. This

lodge is very fortunate this year in their selection of officers, having a staff of enthusiastic brethren in the suborindate chairs. They also have a splendid choir and put on the full musical programme which renders the ceremonies so impressive. V. W. Bro. Weegar, an behalf of the lodge, presented W. Bro. Milne, I. P. M. with a P. M's. jewel. The books under the charge of the Secretary are a model of neatness.

Mattawa Lodge No. 405, Mattawa, April 29th. Meeting emergent. Unfortunately the W. M. was absent from town and W. Bro. Bell presided. A first degree was exemplified on a candidate very creditably indeed. This lodge is doing good work under a very severe handicap. For the past four years every newly elected Master has removed from the town before the expiration of his term. Notwithstanding this fact, the brethren are holding loyally together and the Secretary showed me the finances were in good shape and few outstanding dues. This lodge is the only one in the district to observe and set apart June 27th as Decoration or Memorial Day and holds a memorial service and also decorates the graves of deceased brethren. The example, I think, might well be copied by the other lodges throughout the district.

Penewobikong Lodge No. 487, Blind River, May 27. Meeting emergent. W. Bro. Dyke presided. The W. M. had arranged to put on a second degree but the candidate was absent and I was denied the pleasure of seeing the officers exemplify the degree. I am satisfied, however, from the efficient manner in which the lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees that the officers are doing excellent work. The lodge just at present is suffering from the fact that a number of members are removed from town on account of the lumbering interests being somewhat quiet, but they are looking forward to an early revival of activities and a consequent increase in membership. The lodge affairs are in safe hands and a very enthusiastic lot of members made my visit one which I shall cherish as amongst the most pleasant of my visitations.

Dyment Lodge No. 442, Thessalon, May 28th. Meeting emergent. W. Bro. Burke presided and conferred the first degree on a candidate. The W. M.

has the happy faculty of making every member feel that a certain amount of responsibility rests upon him for the success of the lodge. The finances are in good shape. Quite a lot of the members have moved away from this town, also due to the depression in lumbering, and the attendance is not as large as in former years, but they are receiving a number of new members into the lodge and are looking forward with much confidence for continued prosperity. A pleasant feature of the evening was the presentation to W. Bro. Shaw, the retiring Master, of a P. M's jewel.

Doric Lodge No. 455, Little Current, June 16th. Meeting emergent. W. Bro. Ellenton presided. The work of the evening, conferring the second degree on a candidate, was exemplified in a manner that was very gratifying to me. This lodge is doing good work and has a most magnificently furnished lodge room and I bespeak for them a successful future. The books are kept strictly up to date.

Gore Bay Lodge No. 472, Gore Bay, June 17th. Meeting emergent. I visited this lodge and regretted to find the W. M. too ill to attend lodge. The J. W. was also absent at the bedside of his sick father. The brethren had no regular work for the evening but W. Bro. Robinson, who presided, offered to exemplify the third degree. From the manner in which he and the junior officers open and closed in the different degrees, I am quite sure the work is being done most satisfactorily. They have a thoroughly homelike little lodge room, properly equipped. The books are posted right up to date. The outstanding dues are practically nil, thanks to the efficient Secretary to whom much of the success of the lodge is due. The brethren are endeavoring both in and out of the lodge room to exemplify that true Masonic spirit which our fraternity teaches.

R. W. Bro. Haentschel, at my request visited both Porcupine and Elk Lake Lodges, U. D., and I attach his report on their work since they have been instituted. "I visited Porcupine Lodge on March 27th and saw W. Bro. Foster and his officers give a rendition of the work that commended itself very highly to me, being complete in every detail. Their minute book and regis-

ter are kept most carefully and up to date all the time. Their average attendance is 23. They have had twenty initiations and six applications and the hope can surely expressed that all will soon be well with them.” “I visited Elk Lake Lodge, U. D., on June 13th, and am pleased to report that they have the work well in hand and that I have visited lodges of many years standing where our work has not been exemplified in as correct a manner as it is done by these zealous brethren. Their lodge room is beautifully furnished, they have a fine set of regalia, their books are well and correctly kept and they are looking well to the class of material which they receive.”

All of which is fraternally submitted,

CHRIS. R. REID, D. D. G. M.,
Nippissing District No. 18.

MUSKOKA DISTRICT NO. 19

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor herewith to present my report on the condition of Masonry in Muskoka District No. 19.

Allow me first of all, to thank the brethren of the district for the very great honor they conferred on me, a young and inexperienced member, in electing me D. D. G. M.

So far as possible I have tried to make my official visits on nights of regular meetings and have succeeded in doing this with but one exception, and this would have been accomplished had not the train on which I was travelling been delayed, in consequence of which I arrived after the brethren had concluded the labors of the evening.

In every case I found a good attendance of brethren, well above the average, and was pleased to see that Masonry is making excellent progress. Membership in all of the lodges with one exception, has increased. In some cases very marked increases have occurred but the class of candidates shows that the brethren have been careful in their selection. A noticeable feature was the number of young men admitted, a fact which speaks well for the future of Masonry in this district.

In accordance with instructions from the M. W., the Grand Master, in his circular letter I held a Lodge of Instruction at Huntsville, which while not as successful as one held two years previously, from the view point of attendance, was nevertheless, in the opinion of the brethren present, most instructive and helpful, and best of all was the means of bringing the brethren together once more to become acquainted and exchange views on Masonry.

In this connection, I wish to extend my thanks to W. Bro. Oldfield, District Secretary for his assistance

and advice and also to V. W. Bro. Grant, Secretary of Unity Lodge and his committee, who admirably contributed to the success of the meeting.

My first official act after election was to appoint W. Bro. A. Oldfield, Powassan, District Secretary, and V. W. Bro. Canon Allman, Burks' Falls, District Chaplain, both of whom, especially the former have rendered me valuable assistance during the year.

Official Visits

Powassan Lodge No. 443, Powassan. I visited this my mother lodge on Friday, March 14th. There was a very large attendance of the brethren and the work of the first degree was very well done by W. Bro. Phillips and his regular officers. This lodge is the only one in the district to show a decrease in membership. There has nevertheless been a fair amount of work done but unfortunately there has been some good material turned away owing to over zealous use of the black ball. I took occasion to point out to the brethren that while they could not be too highly commended for exercising the greatest care in selecting candidates, yet they should not go to extremes and keep out material that would be a credit to the lodge, and thereby retard its progress. W. Bro. Philipps and the I. P. M., W. Bro. Buchanan have both worked hard to further the interests of the lodge and it is to be hoped that this difficulty will be overcome. The books are excellently well kept by an efficient Secretary.

Strong Lodge No. 423, Sundridge. Visited this lodge on March 17th. W. Bro. McFadgen in the chair. The first degree was put on very creditably by W. Bro. McFadgen, assisted by I. P. M. Bro. Wickett and regular officers. Strong Lodge is in splendid shape both financially and as regards membership and though a great many of its members are non-resident, yet the attendance is excellent. The books are well kept by the Secretary.

Muskoka Lodge No. 360, Bracebridge. Visited this lodge on April 1st. This was also to be the occasion of a visit from the M. W., the Grand Master, to this, his mother lodge. Consequently I was looking forward with a great deal of pleasure to my visit, but

a telegram was received in the afternoon stating that the M. W., the Grand Master had been taken suddenly ill and would be unable to be present. Great disappointment and regret on all sides were expressed during the evening, coupled with the sincere wish that the M. W., the Grand Master would speedily be restored to his former health. The programme of work for the evening had consequently to be slightly altered. The chairs were all to have been occupied by P. Ms. with R. W. Bro. Huber, the W. M. who initiated M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, in the East. The third degree was accordingly exemplified by the regular W.M., W.Bro. Morris and his regular officers. There was a very large attendance of P. Ms. and visiting brethren, all of whom assisted in making the evening a most enjoyable one. This lodge seems to be progressing more of late than formerly, but there is still room for improvement. The appointments of the lodge room are excellent, financial standing good and there seems no reason why Muskoka Lodge should not prosper more than it has. The books are very methodically kept.

Unity Lodge No. 376, Huntville. I visited this lodge on April 9th. The W. M., W. Bro. McRuer being absent owing to illness, the work of the third degree was put on by the I. P. M., W. Bro. White, assisted by officers and P. Ms. Both the regular officers and the P. Ms. of Unity seem to be very proficient in their work and there was little room for criticism. This lodge has very fine quarters and very commodious banquetting room adjoining. The books are very well kept by V. W. Bro. Grant, who has been Secretary for a number of years. The prospects of Unity Lodge are excellent and the harmony of the best.

Golden Rule Lodge No. 409, Gravenhurst. On April 14th, I visited this lodge. This lodge possesses without a doubt the most elaborately equipped rooms in the district, both as regards furniture and lighting arrangements. The latter are particularly well arranged and assist materially in the smooth running of the work in the various degrees. The work was the second degree and was excellently well done by W. M. Ditchburn and his officers, all of whom are very proficient in their work. P. D. D. G. M., R. W. Bro. McLeay

and a number of P. Ms. were present and assisted greatly in the success of the evening. Golden Rule has a very able and enthusiastic Secretary, whose books I found in first class shape. The harmony of the lodge is excellent and finances in splendid shape.

Granite Lodge No. 352, Parry Sound. I visited this lodge on April 16th. This is, without doubt, the banner lodge of the district, is progressing steadily, and has increased so rapidly within the past two years that they have outgrown their already commodious quarters and are now contemplating erecting a new building in which they hope to have ample accommodation for years to come. They already own their own building, valued at \$10,000 and the portion of it not occupied by the lodge yields a very generous income in rent, etc. Granite is most fortunate in having a most enthusiastic, capable and businesslike Secretary, who is ever alert to forward the interests of the Craft throughout the district. It is largely due to his efforts and those of the W. M., that Granite Lodge has been able to make such a splendid showing during the past year. The work consisted of three initiations. The candidates were all bright, intelligent men and the work was faultlessly done by W. Bro. Molyneaux and his officers. I was particularly impressed with the prompt manner in which the work of a very heavy evening was carried out. I was also pleased to see a very large attendance of P. Ms. and the attendance generally was the largest of any of my meetings in the district. A very pleasant feature of the evening was the conferring of Honorary Life Membership on V. W. Bro. Foote, who though in his 84th year, managed to be present and performed the duties of Chaplain faultlessly. The harmony of Granite Lodge is excellent.

Algonquin Lodge No. 434, Emsdale. Visited this lodge on April 22nd. Some ten or twelve visitors from neighboring lodges were present. Although Algonquin has been badly crippled by their heavy loss by fire, they are fast recovering and now occupy very fine quarters which when completely furnished, will compare favorably with any in the district.

The work of the evening, which consisted of three initiations, was very well done by W. Bro. Shaw and

his officers. Much sympathy was expressed for W. Bro. Shaw in his recent bereavement in the loss of his son. The Secretary is a source of strength to the lodge and his books are well kept.

Corona No. 454, Burke's Falls. Visited this lodge on June 11th, at an emergent meeting having unavoidably been delayed too late for their regular meeting. As a consequence, the attendance was not as large as would otherwise have been the case. It was however a good opportunity to see the brethren under actual working conditions. Corona has made excellent progress during the past two years under W. Bro. Dr. Wilson, and he has had a particularly heavy task this past year as the annexed report of work done will readily show. In this he has been ably assisted by V. W. Bro. Hiliar and R. W. Bro. Harris, who also assisted on this occasion in working the degrees which were done in a manner leaving no room for criticism. Prospects for this lodge are very good and the books are well kept by the Secretary.

Lodge of Instruction

On Thursday, June 29th, acting under dispensation from Grand Lodge I held a Lodge of Instruction under the warrant of Unity Lodge No. 376, Huntsville, in the Parish Hall, Huntsville. We had hoped to have R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, D. G. M. with us on this occasion but a business engagement prevented him from attending at the last moment. I was materially assisted however by the presence of P. D. D. G. Ms. R. W. Bros. Shearer, Fischer, Knifton and Whitten, who by their advice and criticisms contributed largely to the success of the meeting from an instructive standpoint. There was also a very gratifying attendance of Past Masters. The attendance all told was in the neighborhood of 100.

The work of the first degree was exemplified by officers of Powassan Lodge, led by W. Bro. Phillips. This was exceedingly well done with but one or two slight exceptions. W. Bro. Phillips was highly complimented on the general good work.

Algonquin Lodge officers with P. M. Milligan in

the chair, conferred the second degree on a member of Unity by special permission of the M. W., the Grand Master, and did the work in a very creditable manner. After a general criticism by the P. D. D. G. Ms. and myself, the work of the third degree was exemplified by W. Bro. Ditchburn and officers of Golden Rule. This work was done in an exceedingly creditable manner.

As Unity Lodge had been called on to open the lodge it was deemed fitting and proper that they should also close which was accordingly done in the three degrees after a general discussion.

During the business part of the meeting a letter of regret at his inability to be present owing to this being his birthday was read from M. W. Bro. Judge Harding, P. G. M., and also a telegram of regret from R. W. Bro. McPherson, D. G. M. A letter received sometime previously from the M. W., the Grand Master was also read in which he regretted his inability, owing to his recent illness to be with us. To these communications suitable replies were made.

Many excellent speeches were made by the brethren present, in all of which the dominant note was that we should make the holding of a Lodge of Instruction an annual affair. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered the officers and members of Unity Lodge and their committee for the use of their warrant and for their perfect arrangements which contributed so largely to the success of the meeting.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the officers and brethren of the various lodges throughout the district for the very courteous and kindly way in which they received me on my various visits and to express the hope that I have in a small way at least, done my part in promoting the best interests of the Craft in Muskoka District.

Fraternally submitted,

A. S. PORTER, D. D. G. M.,
Muskoka District No. 19.

OTONABEE DISTRICT NO. 20

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

In presenting my report on the condition of Masonry in Otonabee District No. 20, for the past year, I desire first, to express my appreciation to the brethren for the high honor they conferred on me in electing me to the high and honorable office of D. D. G. M., and for the many kindnesses shown me throughout the district, while performing my duties.

The appointing of R. W. Bro. J. Crane, Peterboro, my District Secretary was my first official duty and I wish to take this opportunity to thank him for his valuable services.

I am pleased to be able to report that I have found the district in a very prosperous condition, with an increasing membership and interest in Masonry and the desire on the part of the officers of the different lodges to perfect themselves in the work.

Visits

Orono Lodge No. 325. I made my official visit to this lodge on Oct. 24th, 1912. The work of the evening being a second degree which was done in a very able manner by the W. M., Bro. Reid. The books are well and neatly kept.

Corinthian Lodge No. 101, Perterborough. I made my official visit to this lodge on Nov. 15th, 1912 and met with a very hearty reception from the officers and members. W. Bro. Kerr and officers conferred two passings and did their work in a very able and creditable manner, also the election of officers for the ensuing year. The lodge is ably supported by a large staff of P. Ms. who take a deep interest in the affairs of the lodge. The addition to their quarters adds much to the appearance of the lodge and affords ample accommodation for the large attendance and the carrying

out of the work. The books are neatly kept and the finances in good condition.

Jerusalem Lodge No. 31, Bowmanville. I visited this lodge on Nov. 20th, 1912, and found it to be one of the most flourishing lodges in the district. The work was one initiation and was done in a most creditable manner by W. Bro. Mingeand. The books are well kept and finances well managed.

Peterborough Lodge No. 155, Peterborough. I made my official visit on Dec. 6th, 1912, which was P. Ms.' night and must compliment this lodge for the able manner in which the P. Ms. filled the offices and exemplified the first degree. V. W. Bro. Morrow acting as W. M. I was very much impressed with musical part of the ceremony so ably conducted, which greatly adds to the impressiveness of the work. The financial condition is good and the books a model of neatness.

Norwood Lodge No. 223, Norwood. I visited this lodge on Feb. 17th 1913. The work of the evening being a first degree which was done in a most creditable manner by W. Bro. Niebel. The lodge is well supported by P. Ms. They have a fine lodge room and the books are well kept.

Ontario No. 26, Port Hope. I made my official visit to Ontario Lodge on Feb. 23rd. The attendance was fair and W. Bro. Brown exemplified the first and second degrees in a most creditable manner. The finances and books are in a very good condition. I regret the officers of the lodge do not get the support from the members they justly deserve.

Clementi Lodge No. 313, Lakefield. I made my official visit on March 4th, 1913. The work of the evening was a second degree which was put on by the W. M. assisted by some P. Ms. in a very able manner. They have a fine lodge room and are good entertainers.

J. B. Hall Lodge No. 145, Millbrook. I visited this lodge on March 20th, 1913, but as there was no work for the evening the W. M. opened and closed in the different degrees in a very creditable manner. The books are well kept and the lodge is very finely furnished.

Hope Lodge No. 114, Port Hope. I made my official visit on April 4th, 1913, and met with a very hearty reception being the largest throughout the district as this is my mother lodge. W. Bro. Embleton exemplified a second degree in a very able manner. The financial standing is good and the books are well kept. This lodge has the best regular attendance in the district.

Havelock Lodge No. 435, Havelock. I visited the above lodge officially on April 18th, 1913, and was pleased to see the second degree exemplified in such a creditable manner by W. Bro. Patterson. I spent a most pleasant evening. The books are neatly kept.

Lorne Lodge No. 375, Omemee. I visited this lodge on May 1st, 1913. The work of the evening was a second degree and was exemplified by W. Bro. Lowery and officers in a very laudable manner. The attendance is good considering the distance some have to come. The books and finances are ably handled by the Secretary.

Keene Lodge No. 374, Keene. I paid my official visit to this lodge on May 15th, the work being a first and second degree which was ably handled by W. Bro. McNeil and officers. They have a lot of work on hand at present and the lodge is in a flourishing condition. The lodge is in good financial standing and the books well kept.

Durham Lodge No. 66, Newcastle. I made my official visit to this lodge May 20th, 1913. W. Bro. Fligg and officers put on a second degree in a very able manner. The lodge is supported by an able staff of P. Ms. This lodge has a lot of work and is in excellent standing.

Lodge of Instruction

I held a Lodge of Instruction at Peterborough under the joint auspices of Corinthian and Peterborough Lodges on Wednesday, April 16th, 1913. A very representative attendance of the various lodges in the district was in evidence and the gathering was a success. Among the visitors was R. W. Bro. Patterson, D. D. G. M. of Ontario District No. 12.

At the afternoon session Norwood Lodge No. 223,

Norwood, exemplified the first degree in a very efficient manner. W. Bro. Pearce, W. M. has a good working lodge and is supported by many P. Ms. of ability.

Clementi Lodge No. 313, Lakefield, then worked the second degree which was done in a faultless manner. W. Bro. Langley is an enthusiastic Mason and is supported by good officers and an array of P. Ms. of which any lodge might be proud.

After the working of each degree a discussion took place on the work and a number of points were considered with a view of making the work uniform.

At 7.30 P. M. Corinthian and Peterborough Lodges jointly conferred the sublime degree. W. Bro. W. R. G. Higgins, W. M. of Peterborough Lodge and W. Bro. F. H. Gillespie, W. M. Corinthian Lodge were responsible for the work which was done in the usual perfect manner that characterizes the work of the Peterborough brethren. The addition of the musical ritual gave added interest and impressiveness to the occasion.

I wish to express my appreciation of the assistance given me by the R. W. Bro. John Crane who, as District Secretary was responsible for incidental arrangements and which contributed much to the success of the Lodge of Instruction.

Fraternally submitted,

WM. GARFAT, D. D. G. M.,

Otonabee District No. 20.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
Table Showing the Work Done in Otonabee District No. 20, from June 24th, 1912, to June 24th, 1913.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Mem- bers' up		Degr's Conf'd		Total No. of all Mem.		Increase during year		Decrease during year		E. A.		F. C.		M. M.		Affiliations		Restorations		Resignations		Suspensions, N. P. D.		Suspensions, other causes		Deceased		Meet's held		Aver. atten'ce of members		Amount paid for relief		No. mem. 12 m'ths in arre'rs		Total of all arrearages		Date of last G. L. Return		Financial standing		Prospects of Lodge		Can W. M. work all degrees		Insurance																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																			
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EASTERN DISTRICT NO. 21

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and
Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of
Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration my report on the condition and progress of Masonry in Eastern District No. 21.

Let me state in the first place that it has been a very pleasing duty to act in the honorable position of D. D. G. M. to which I was elected at the Grand Lodge in the city of Toronto. And in the next place let me take this opportunity to express my gratification for the honor conferred, and for the pleasure I have enjoyed and the kindness and courtesy shown me all through my official term.

I have endeavored to perform my duties to the very best of my ability, and if I have failed in any particular I ask the forbearance and benefit of your Masonic charity. I have worked, though conscious of my shortcomings, in earnestness and sincerity, and feel thankful that I have not failed at least in giving the time and labour the important position requires.

Conforming to the suggestion of the Board, I will observe brevity, avoid entering too closely into de-

tails. In the lodge room, however, I went thoroughly into and minutely criticized, holding aloft the standard of perfection as the ideal for Eastern District. I am pleased to report keen interest on the part of P. Ms. in many of the lodges throughout this district. Their efforts are greatly appreciated, the tenets and principles of true Masonry being kept well forward. I emphasized the great necessity of living our Masonry.

Perhaps our greatest efforts were centered (1) In promoting harmony and good fellowship. (2) Perfecting the work. (3) Encouraging interchange of visits and work. (4) Care of weaker lodges and the question of arrearages of dues. (5) The very great importance

of wiping out the balance of the S. C. B Fund this year, there being eight lodges in this district in arrears to this fund.

During my term I have endeavored to draw the attention of the district to the wish of the M. W., the Grand Master that each lodge fulfil its obligations in respect to this fund, so that he would be able to report to Grand Lodge that the full amount had been raised.

During the year I have received various circulars from the Grand Secretary, conveying to me the Grand Master's rulings since the beginning of his term, all of which I have communicated verbally, when visiting lodges, or by circular, to all the lodges in the district, thereby endeavoring to bring such rulings into immediate force.

I have visited every lodge except one, viz. Plantagenet No. 186, at least once, many of them twice, and a few even three or four times, not that it was absolutely necessary to go to any a second time, but merely to lend assistance if required and am pleased to state that at all times I found the lodges working harmoniously. The above lodge I visited, or rather attempted to, on Sept. 24th, when we did not have a quorum, and since installation in December they have had but one regular meeting, owing largely to the great distance of the members from Plantagenet where the lodge is situated.

Almost all the lodges in the district had some one of the three degrees to exemplify for my inspection, and each had the appearance of aspiring to be the model for all others to follow, and with such energy, enthusiasm and impressiveness displayed by the various W. Ms. and their officers that I always felt sorry when the degree work ceased, and I am sure the candidates at all times must have been delighted that they had been honored by being admitted members of the Craft, whose aims are brotherly love, relief and truth.

While the above may appear bright and flattering, there is yet a dark side with reference to some of the rural lodges, first in not being punctual as to opening at

time stated on notices. One lodge in particular, the W. M. not arriving until 9.30 o'clock when the notices stated 8 o'clock.

I strongly recommended the advisability of being more punctual and thereby endeavor to retain the older members and also gain the good will of our families who dislike our coming home so late in some of the lodges. I found that sometimes the ambition of junior officers, in aiming to the position of W. M., at the sacrifice of some of the senior brethren, has resulted harmfully. I advised aspirants to office to be patient and promotion would come through merit, and would be more thoroughly appreciated by those so advanced and be means of retaining that friendship and brotherly love which is essentially necessary for the prosperity of any lodge and the good of Masonry in general.

I regret very much the loss of so many members who have been cut off from amongst us by that all-devouring scythe of time, and as I have only been notified of two brethren would like to make special mention of them, viz. R.W. Bro. W. Franklin, P. D. D. G. M., of Plantagenet Lodge No. 186, and also W. M. of this lodge who died very suddenly last May having been stricken down with heart failure. Bro. Franklin was one of our most enthusiastic members in the lodge, one of the best read Masonic historians in our district, and as kind-hearted and true a friend as we are liable to meet in our travels through life, and a thorough gentleman and business man, a kind and loving husband. Through his demise our district and Plantagenet Lodge in particular, loses one of its pillars, and he will be much missed. The other whom I wish to mention is Bro. John F. McGregor of Alexandria Lodge No. 439, who died in March last. These brethren were the kind with which we would love to fill our lodges. We regret their loss very much.

I have endeavored at all times to impress the brethren with whom I came in contact that as Masons and citizens we are expected to be good men and true, and never bring discredit upon our mother lodge and Masonry generally, and by so doing we would then be better prepared when the final call came for us.

Visits

My first official visit was to the oldest lodge in the district, viz. St. John's Lodge No. 21-A, Vankleek Hill, Sept. 24th, and I was accorded a very warm welcome by the W. M., W. Bro. E. H. Elvidge, and his officers. There was a large attendance of members, also a number of visiting brethren. I was particularly interested in this lodge as it was the mother lodge of my father. I witnessed the conferring of the first degree by W. Bro. Metcalf, P. M., the candidate being his son. He was ably assisted by Bro. Morrison and the work was well done. The W. M. and officers opened and closed the lodge in the three degrees most creditably. It is not necessary to comment on the way the officers of St. John's Lodge do their work, it being well done. The books of the lodge are well kept. This lodge has very fine quarters, and they are in a very prosperous condition.

Cornwall Lodge No. 125, Cornwall. Visited this lodge on May 7th. The attendance was good. The degree work for the evening was one passing and one raising. The second degree was exemplified by R. W. Bro. Ridley in his usual excellent manner. The third degree was worked by the W. M., W. Bro. Fetterly and the degree was exemplified in a most impressive manner. The candidates for advancement in both degrees proved themselves well skilled, it being a rule in this lodge that the candidates have not only the necessary questions but the obligations as well. The books of the Secretary are well kept, and he attends to his duties faithfully.

Excelsior Lodge No. 142, Morrisburg. Visited on April 18th, when the attendance was good. The work of the evening was an initiation and the work put on by the W. M., W. Bro. Davy and his officers was beyond criticism. The books of the lodge also show a careful attention to the duties of the Secretary.

Friendly Brothers' Lodge No. 143, Iroquis. Visited this lodge on Feb. 19th. There was a large attendance. The work of the evening was one passing which was done in an excellent manner, the W. M. having the assistance of a splendid staff of officers. The books

of the lodge are well kept by the Secretary. This lodge is in a prosperous condition and with good prospects for its continuance. My visit here was made very pleasant and enjoyable.

Lancaster Lodge No. 207, Lancaster. I visited this, my mother lodge, on Feb. 18th. A fair attendance of members. There was no degree work done. The lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees which was very poorly done. This lodge is capable of doing better work and I would recommend that the officers meet occasionally for practice in the lodge room, and also, recommend that the P. Ms. take more interest and bring Lancaster Lodge back to the standard which she once possessed. The books are well kept by the Secretary. This lodge can boast of one of the finest lodge rooms in the district.

Farran's Point Lodge No. 256, Aultsville. Visited this lodge on the 21st of January. Attendance good. There being no work on the notice for this evening, by my request, the W. M. and his officers exemplified the first degree which was done beyond criticism, also the opening and closing the lodge in the three degrees was well done. The W. M. has able support in the work. This lodge is prospering. The books and the affairs of the lodge are well looked after by the Secretary.

Henderson Lodge No. 383, Winchester. Visited this lodge on May 16th. There was a good attendance of members and some visitors. There was no degree work. The W. M. and his officers opened and closed the lodge in the three degrees which was done to my entire satisfaction. Some time was spent in instruction in general which appeared to be very profitable. This lodge is very prosperous, the books being well kept by the Secretary, who also looks well after the dues. The lodge room is very fine, and everything kept neat and clean.

Maxville Lodge No. 418, Maxville. I paid my official visit to this lodge on March 14th. The attendance was fair. The work of the evening was the conferring of the third degree by W. Bro. Monroe, assisted by the officers of the lodge, which was well done. The W. M.,

W. Bro. Daley opened and closed the lodge in the several degrees very well. The books are neatly kept by the Secretary, but the dues are not very well collected, there being considerable outstanding. Very neat lodge room, well kept but ante rooms not so well kept.

Alexandria Lodge No. 439, Alexandria. Visited this lodge on the evening of Feb. 4th. Very good attendance of members and several visitors. There being no degree work, the W. M., Rev. D. Stewart and his officers opened and closed the lodge in the three degrees, which was well done. This lodge can do their work well as I have had the opportunity on several occasions of seeing the several degrees worked. This lodge room is very neat and comfortable and well furnished. The books are well kept by a faithful and efficient Secretary. The W. M. is well supported by the P. Ms. of the lodge.

Hawkesbury Lodge No. 450, Hawkesbury. I paid my official visit to this lodge on Sept. 26th, 1912, the night of their regular meeting and spent a very pleasant evening with the brethren. There was a good attendance of members and also a number of visitors. There being no degree work, the lodge was opened and closed by the W. M., W. Bro. Kirby and his officers to my entire satisfaction. This lodge is in a very prosperous condition and would like to see some move towards securing a better lodge room. The W. M. and his officers are very efficient and were on time to open the lodge at the hour when called. The books are well kept by the Secretary and Treasurer. The financial standing of this lodge is good.

Avonmore Lodge No. 452, Avonmore. I visited this lodge officially on May 15th. The attendance very good. There were a number of visitors from neighboring lodges. The work of the evening was two raisings which were well done by the W. M. and his officers. The candidates were well posted, they having besides the necessary questions repeated the obligations perfectly. This lodge is very prosperous having initiated twenty one candidates this year, and of good character, many of whom I had the pleasure of meeting. They contemplate building a new hall this year. The books of the lodge are very neatly kept by the Secretary and

Treasurer, dues well paid up. Spent a very pleasant and profitable evening here.

Wales Lodge No. 458, Wales. I visited this lodge on January 20th. There was a good attendance of members and visitors. The work of the evening was a first and second degree. The first degree was nearly over when I arrived. The W. M. and his officers did their work well. This lodge is prospering. The lodge room is very neat and well furnished and they have a very substantial balance in the bank. They also contemplate building a new lodge room in the near future. The books are well kept by the Secretary.

Williamsburg Lodge No. 480, Williamsburg. Visited this lodge on April 17th. There was a good attendance of the members. As there was no degree work for this evening, I caused the lodge to be opened and closed in the three degrees, when considerable discussion and very profitable instruction was brought out in each degree. This lodge is very prosperous and doing good work. They have a very neat and comfortable lodge room. Members are very enthusiastic in this lodge. The books are well kept by the Secretary. My reception by the brethren of Williamsburg Lodge was extremely hospitable.

Cardinal Lodge No. 491, Cardinal. Visited this lodge on February 14th. There was a very good attendance. The work of the evening being two initiations which were exemplified in a most creditable manner by the W. M., W. Bro. Wormington who is well skilled. He was assisted by his officers who performed their duties perfectly. This is the baby lodge of the district, but they have shown themselves to have matured to manhood in respect to Masonry and could teach some of the older lodges in the district in exemplifying the work. I predict a bright future for this lodge. The books are very neatly kept by the Secretary and Treasurer. I received at this lodge a very enthusiastic reception.

Chesterville Lodge No. 320, Chesterville. Nov. 18th, 1912 was the occasion of my official visit to this lodge. It being P. Ms.' night the attendance was good. Harmony prevails. The books are well kept.

The work for the evening was one passing. The lodge was opened in the first and second degrees by W. Bro. Durant, and the second degree was exemplified by R. W. Bro. O. D. Casselman to the delight of all present. The working of this lodge is A1. The credit of the present satisfactory condition of Masonry in the above lodge is to a large extent due to the P. Ms. This lodge is prospering, dues well in hand, and they are now erecting a beautiful Masonic Temple which is nearing completion.

In conclusion I desire to express my heartfelt thanks for the uniform courtesy and kindness of which I have been the happy recipient and I surrender the gavel of office with mingled gladness and regret, the former because I feel able to transmit to my successor a very satisfactory state of Craft affairs in this influential district, the latter because of this official parting with my brethren at whose hands I have received many acts of kindness, so many words of cheer and comfort, and for my successor, in this sacred trust, I bespeak a repetition of what has been extended to me.

Again permit me to tender my sincere thanks to all who accompanied and assisted me on my official visits, or lent me their counsel and advice.

If the moral tone of the brethren and the ideals of true Masonry have been stimulated or promoted by my humble efforts, and if I could feel assured that my brethren are the better for my slight services, cheerfully rendered on their behalf, I would feel amply compensated for the labors of the office.

I shall never forget the pleasant hours spent with the brethren of the different lodges, and I leave the district to my successor in harmony and numerically strong.

Fraternally submitted,

R. T. NICHOLSON, D. D. G. M.,

Eastern District No. 21.

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
Table Shewing the Work Done in Eastern District No. 21, from June 24th, 1912, to June 24th, 1913.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during Year	Decrease during Year	E. A.	F. C.	M. M.	Alumni	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, other causes	Meet's held	Aver. atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 mths in arrears	Total of all arrears	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance
21a	St. John's	Vankleek Hill	721	1	5	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	2	1,1415	.....	5	27	00	June 1912	Good	Yes	1000 00
125	Cornwall	Cornwall	126	6	5	4	3	1	1	1	1	1	12	1230	50 00	3	7	00	June 1913	Good	Yes	900 00
112	Excelsior	Morrisburg	73	3	5	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	11	1115	.....	5	12	50	July 3, 12	Fair	Yes	275 00
145	Friendly Bros.	Troquois	98	7	4	6	7	2	2	2	2	2	12	51711	10 00	14	43	25	Dec. 28, 12	very good	Yes	350 00
186	Plantagenet	Plantagenet	63	1	2	5	6	2	2	2	2	2	8	31111	10 00	23	107	00	June 1913	Fair	Yes	Yes
207	Lancaster	Lancaster	115	7	1	2	5	6	1	1	1	1	13	21516	.....	31	273	50	Dec. 1912	Fair	Yes	1350 00
256	Farren's Pione	Aultsville	88	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	21415	15 00	15	50	00	Dec. 27, 12	Good	Yes	1200 00
320	Chesterville	Chesterville	97	12	8	7	5	3	4	1	1	1	212	61820	.....	4	10	50	June 1913	Splendid	Yes	2600 00
383	Henderson	Winchester	97	12	8	7	5	3	4	1	1	1	14	11515	.....	22	77	50	Dec. 1912	Good	Yes	Yes
418	Maxville	Maxville	84	4	3	3	2	2	7	1	1	1	5	1 6	.....	27	74	50	June 24, 12	.....	Yes	.....
439	Alexandria	Alexandria	66	4	1	1	1	1	4	1	1	1	12	31513	.....	30	282	50	Dec. 27, 12	Fair	Yes	400 00
450	Hawksbury	Hawksbury	65	8	8	7	4	1	1	1	1	1	12	31520	55 00	13	60	00	June 1913	Good	Yes	250 00
452	Avonmore	Avonmore	81	12	12	14	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	71320	.....	3	30	00	Dec. 27, 12	Good	Yes	.....
458	Wales	Wales	88	2	4	3	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13	21520	80 00	4	11	00	Dec. 1912	Good	Yes	500 00
480	Williamsburg	Williamsburg	42	4	3	5	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14	31716	.....	4	16	50	June 1913	Fair	Yes	.....
491	Cardinal	Cardinal	52	6	7	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	21420	.....	2	13	00	.....	Fair	Yes	250 00

Distinguished Visitors

M. W. Bro. John E. Wright, Most Worshipful Grand Master and R. W. Bro. Will H. Whyte, R. W. Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, were announced and were introduced by M. W. Bro. W. R. White. They were received with grand honors, were cordially welcomed by the M. W., the Grand Master, and were requested by him to convey to the Grand Lodge of Quebec the warm regards and fraternal greetings of the members of this Grand Lodge. M. W. Bro. Wright and R. W. Bro. Whyte expressed their appreciation of the reception accorded them and on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Quebec reciprocated the greetings of the Grand Master and members of Grand Lodge.

Invitations were received from The E. B. Eddy Company and The J. R. Booth Company to the members of Grand Lodge to visit and inspect their extensive works. The invitations were thankfully accepted and taken advantage of by a large number of the brethren.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON WARRANTS

R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, Deputy Grand Master, on behalf of the Board of General Purposes, presented the following report, which was read by R. W. Bro. A. J. Young, Chairman of the Committee on Warrants:

REPORT

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on Warrants, beg leave to report as follows:

We have examined the minute books and records of all the lodges now under dispensation which have been submitted to us and recommend that warrants be granted to the following lodges:

- Inwood Lodge, Inwood, No. 503.
- Otter Lodge, Lombardy, No. 504.
- Lynden Lodge, Lynden, No. 505.
- Porcupine Lodge, Porcupine, No. 506.
- Elk Lake Lodge, Elk Lake, No. 507.
- Ozias Lodge, Brantford, No. 508.
- Twin City Lodge, Berlin, No. 509.
- Parkdale Lodge, Toronto, No. 510.

We also recommend that the dispensations granted to the

following lodges be continued until the next meeting of Grand Lodge:

Connaught Lodge, West Fort William.
 Malone Lodge, Sutton West.
 Corinthian Lodge, Hamilton.
 St. Albans Lodge, Toronto.
 Reba Lodge, Brantford.
 Enterprise Lodge, Beachburg.
 Hazeldean Lodge, Hazeldean.

Your Committee have also considered the request of Patterson Lodge No. 265, Thornhill for concurrent jurisdiction with York Lodge No. 156, Toronto, over an area one and one half miles wide between the north boundary of the city of Toronto and Lansing Road in York township and find as follows:

The inclusion of York Lodge in the city of Toronto with consequent concurrent jurisdiction in the city of Toronto does not take away from York Lodge any territory formerly included in its jurisdiction.

Clause 186 of the Constitution is quite clear and says, "The Jurisdiction extends in every direction half way to the nearest lodge."

The only provision in the Constitution respecting Concurrent Jurisdiction is in regard to lodges within the limits of a city or town, and as Patterson Lodge is not within the limits of a city or town, it consequently can have jurisdiction only within its own territory.

Your committee therefore beg leave to report that in their opinion, the request of Patterson Lodge No. 265 should not be granted.

Faternally submitted,

A. J. YOUNG,
 Chairman.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by R. W. Bro. A. J. Young, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on Warrants be received and adopted.

CALLED OFF

At 12.30 o'clock p.m. Grand Lodge was called from labour to refreshment.

CALLED ON

At 2.30 o'clock p.m. Grand Lodge resumed labour.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON PRINTING AND SUPPLIES.

R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, Deputy Grand Master, on behalf of the Board of General Purposes, pre-

sented the following report, which was read by R. W. Bro. W. H. Wardrope, Chairman of the Committee on Printing and Supplies:

REPORT

The Board of General Purposes through the Committee on Printing and Supplies begs to report that the contract for printing and supplies will expire after the publication of the proceedings of the present year and asks for power to advertise for tenders for the ensuing five years and to accept the tender must advantageous to Grand Lodge.

Fraternally submitted,

W. H. WARDROPE,
Chairman.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by R. W. Bro. W. H. Wardrope, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on Printing and Supplies be received and adopted.

FINANCE

R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, Deputy Grand Master, on behalf of the Board of General Purposes, presented the following report, which was read by R. W. Bro. W. J. Drope, acting Chairman of the Committee on Audit and Finance:

REPORT

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on Audit and Finance, beg leave to report that they have examined the books of the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary and that they have found all books and documents in excellent condition and characterized by accuracy.

They have also examined the work and certificates of the Grand Lodge Auditor, and can bear testimony to the faithful and painstaking services he has rendered.

All funds received by the Grand Secretary have been deposited in the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and proper vouchers have been produced by the Grand Treasurer for the same.

Owing to the increased work of the Grand Secretary's office, your Committee recommends that the salary of the chief clerk be increased from \$1000 to \$1100, and the salary of the stenographer from \$720 to \$1,000 per annum.

GENERAL ACCOUNT

Total receipts to May 31st, 1913, including debentures matured (\$1064)	\$45,760.59
Total Expenditures as follows:—	
General purposes	\$14,963.53
Benevolent Grants	29,108.00 44,071.53
Receipts exceeding Expenditures	\$ 1,689.06

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA

The funds of Grand Lodge amounting to \$108,190.69 are invested in debentures as per list in the report of the Grand Treasurer.

The balance on May 31st, 1913, in the Canadian Bank of Commerce was \$2,548.66
 Less cheques outstanding 266.66

\$2,282.00

The Committee have had placed before them for inspection the bond of the Grand Secretary in the United States Fidelity and Guarantee Co. for the sum of \$5,000, which is in the keeping of the Grand Treasurer. Your Committee recommend that the Grand Master renew the said bond on its maturity and that Grand Lodge pay the premium.

SEMI-CENTENNIAL FUND

Ten years ago, Most Wor. Bro. Harding organized a plan to raise the sum of \$100,000 by voluntary subscription of the brethren throughout this jurisdiction, to commemorate the semi-centennial of the Grand Lodge of Canada. Your Committee experience heartfelt pleasure in informing Grand Lodge that the goal of our ambition has been attained. The desired amount on May 31st, 1913, was over-subscribed. The account now stands as follows:

Amount received to May 31st, 1912 \$96,872.81
 Received during the year 4,182.95
 Total \$101,055.76

ESTIMATE OF RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING
31st MAY, 1914.

Fees—Registration of Initiations	\$12,000.00
Fees—Registration of Affiliations	400.00
Dues	25,600.00
Certificates	100.00
Constitutions and Ceremonies	1,100.00
Dispensations	600.00
Commutation of Dues	1,300.00
Warrants	200.00
Miscellaneous	800.00
Interest on Investments	5,100.00
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	\$47,200.00
Interest on Semi-Centennial Fund	4,800.00
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	\$52,000.00

ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURES

Salary of Grand Treasurer	\$ 200.00
Salary of Grand Secretary	3,000.00
Salary of Auditor	300.00
Salary of Chief Clerk	1,100.00

Salary of Clerk and Stenographer	1,000.00
Salary of Clerk	660.00
Superannuation Allowance of former Chief Clerk	800.00
Printing and Stationery	2,000.00
Incidental Expenses, Grand Secretary's Office	800.00
Certificates and Warrants	1,100.00
Insurance	90.00
Safety Deposit Box rental	70.00
Office Rent	460.00
Office Heating	100.00
Telephone service	60.00
Installation of Card Index System	1,000.00
Postage on Proceedings	230.00
Expenses of Grand Lodge and Board of General Purposes at Ottawa	2,300.00
Expenses of Commissions and Delegations	100.00
Inspection of Benevolent Grants	1,000.00
Travelling Expenses of Grand Master	1,000.00
Stenographer for Grand Master	100.00
Stenographer for Deputy Grand Master	25.00
Postage of D. G. M. and Chairmen of Committees	45.00
Chairman of Foreign Correspondence	250.00
Masonic Relief Association	260.00
Miscellaneous	200.00
Grants for Benevolence	29,200.00
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Total Expenditure on General Account	47,450.00
Grants from Semi-Centennial Fund	4,700.00
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	\$52,150.00

Fraternally submitted,

W. J. DROPE,

Acting Chairman.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson.
seconded by R. W. Bro. W. J. Drope, and

Resolved. That the report of the Board on Audit and
Finance be received.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON BENEVOLENCE

R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, Deputy Grand Master, on behalf of the Board of General Purposes, presented the following report, which was read by M. W. Bro. J. E. Harding, Chairman of the Committee on Benevolence:

REPORT

The Board of General Purposes through the Committee on Benevolence, beg leave to report as follows:

During the year that has elapsed since the last annual Communication of Grand Lodge, the Chairman of the Committee

on Benevolence has, with the approval of the M. W., the Grand Master and the President of the Board of General Purposes, made interim grants to applicants amounting to the sum of \$930.00, the sum of \$880.00 from the General Fund, and \$50.00 from the surplus interest of the Semi-Centennial Fund.

Additional grants have been made from the interest on the investment of the Semi-Centennial Fund, amounting to the sum of \$647.00.

The Board are gratified to be able to report that on the 31st day of May last, this fund amounted to the sum of \$101,055.76, thus completing the \$100,000 as a thank-offering for the prosperity of the Craft during the first half-century of its existence as an Independent Grand Lodge.

The brethren of eleven of the districts in this jurisdiction have fully paid, and in some instances, more than paid their quota. The list following gives the names, numbers, and dates of completion in the order in which the final payment reached the Grand Secretary.

No.	Names	Date
18.....	Nipissing.....	July 4th, 1908
16.....	Ottawa.....	May 30th, 1911
20.....	Otonabee.....	June 7th, 1911
11.....	Toronto W.....	March 29th, 1912
14.....	Frontenac.....	May 3rd, 1912
11a.....	Toronto E.....	May 31st, 1912
19.....	Muskoka.....	June 26th, 1912
13.....	Prince Edward.....	July 1st, 1912
12.....	Ontario.....	July 9th, 1912
8.....	Hamilton.....	April 7th, 1913
7.....	Wellington.....	April 28th, 1913

Of the 12 districts where the brethren have not completed their quota, in four districts the brethren of one lodge each are in arrears, in two districts two lodges are in arrear, in one district four lodges are in arrear, in two districts six lodges are in arear, and in one district seven lodges are in arrear. The arrears in three of those districts only amount to \$95, and total arrears to \$3,331.55, which the Board hopes to see fully paid during the next year.

At our annual Communication in 1905, R. W. Bro. Gunn, the Chairman of the Committee on Benevolence, presented a report showing in detail the amount disbursed in Benevolence by Grand Lodge in the half-century of its existence as a Grand Lodge. The amount disbursed to that date was \$326,739.33. See Proceedings of Grand Lodge for 1905, pages 382, 3 and 4. Since that date Grand Lodge has disbursed the sums following, viz.: General Fund, 1906, \$22,110; 1907, \$20,150; 1908, \$21,956.30; 1909, \$24,362; 1910, \$24,124; 1911, \$26,275; 1912, \$27,322.50; 1913, \$29,108. Total, \$195,407.80. Surplus interest Semi-Centennial Fund: 1908, \$1,210.00; 1909, \$2,010.00; 1910, \$2,650.00; 1911, \$3,920.00; 1912, \$4,515.00; 1913, \$4,727.00; Total, \$19,032.00. Making a grand total in eight years of \$214,439.80.

The Board desires to impress upon the lodges that it is their duty to assist their brethren and their dependents before applying to the Grand Lodge on their behalf, as the grants for benevolence are intended to be supplemental only to the grants from private lodges.

The Board recommends that the subscription to the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada be continued.

Applications were received and disposed of as follows:

215 Grants through lodges, amounting to	\$15,620.00
191 Grants through local boards, amounting to	12,900.00
3 Applications have been refused.	

Special Grants authorized by Grand Lodge:

Mrs. T. D. Harrington	\$300.00
Miss Mary Wilson	300.00
Miss M. H. Harris	75.00
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	\$675.00
Total amount of grants from General Fund	29,195.00
Total amount interim grants, General Fund	880.00
Interim grants from interest S. C. Fund	50.00
Grants recommended from Semi-Centennial Fund at this annual communication	4,300.00
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	\$34,425.00

The grants made by lodges during the year, as shown by the reports of the D. D. G. Ms., amount to the sum of \$18,000.00.

In accordance with the provisions of Rule 7 on Benevolence, cheques for grants made through the following lodges will be withheld until proper returns have been received showing the disposal of last year's grants—Nos. 10, 18, 85, 87, 91, 98, 114, 120, 128, 146, 157, 174, 266, 267, 269, 274, 314, 336, 358, 391, 411, 428, 433, 436, 454, 470.

The Board recommends that the report of the Committee on Benevolence be read in each lodge at a stated meeting.

The Board recommends that where there are two or more lodges in a city or town, a local board of relief be formed.

The Board feels that unless lodges contribute according to their means towards the relief of their applicants, grants should not be made.

It is to be regretted that in many cases, sons and daughters who are quite able to support their parents, neglect or refuse to do so, and leave them to be supported by the benevolence of the brethren.

The Board recommends that a condensed report of the Inspector be printed as an appendix to this report.

Faternally submitted,

J. E. HARDING,

Chairman.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by M. W. Bro. J. E. Harding, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on Benevolence be received.

APPENDIX TO REPORT ON BENEVOLENCE

M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, Grand Master:

Dear Sir and Most Worshipful Brother:

I herewith present my report as Inspector of Benevolent Grants for 1912.

There were 434 applications considered by the Committee 207 from local boards and 227 from lodges.

Of the 207 from local boards 162 were for widows, 32 for brethren, 8 for orphans, 2 for mothers, 1 for the sister of a mason and 2 for wives whose husbands were insane.

In addition to the above, grants were made from the revenue of the Semi-Centennial Fund in cases where the Committee considered that further relief was required.

The applications include 124 who are over 70 years of age. 50 are between 70 and 74, 35 are between 75 and 79, 24 are between 80 and 84, 10 are between 85 and 89 and 5 are over 90, one being 97 years of age.

321 applications were made for widows, of whom 299 received grants, 18 were rejected, 3 died and one got married. 89 applications were made for brethren of whom 79 received grants, 7 were rejected and 3 died. 16 applications were made for orphans, of whom 15 received grants and one was rejected. 3 mothers, 4 wives and one sister received grants.

There were 40 more applications considered by the Committee this year than there were last year and the number of grants made exceeded those of last year by 26.

37 widows and 27 brethren received the largest grant the Committee is authorized to make, being what is known as extreme cases. In most of these the grant from Grand Lodge is nearly all they have to depend upon and if it were not for the assistance they get from the Masonic fraternity they would be compelled to go to one of our institutions for paupers.

As in former years I give a description of a few of the cases.

Mrs. G. is 38 years of age. She has four sons 13, 9, 6 and 3 and 2 daughters, 11 and 1. She makes her living by cleaning offices or any other work she can secure. She is a very worthy woman and is making every possible effort to bring up her family respectably. Could one hundred or one hundred and fifty dollars be disbursed in a better cause than in assisting this brave woman to feed and clothe her young family and bring them up to be a credit to her.

Mrs. L. is 80 years of age. She has one daughter 50 who is also a widow making her living by her own work. Mrs. L. was formerly supported by her son, who was an enthusiastic Mason, but since his death she has had to live with and depend entirely upon her daughter. They were very much in need. On

account of her great age Mrs. L. cannot do anything to help. The grant from Grand Lodge will greatly lighten the burden which must be borne by these two worthy women and will make the hard lot of the poor old lady a little easier during her remaining years.

Bro. H. is 82 years of age, he and his aged wife (84) live with their grand son, their children having died. He is totally disabled by old age and is bedridden the greater part of the time, he has no means or property and depends entirely upon his grand-son who is in very moderate circumstances. An extreme case.

The orphans of Bro. V.. There are four children, boy aged 17 and girls 14, 9 and 6. Bro. V and his wife were accidentally drowned leaving these children in care of his brother who depends upon his earning as a mechanic. The boy is now earning enough to pay his board. The girls are going to school. The grant from Grand Lodge will enable these three children to secure an education and thus be the better equipped to fight the battle of life.

The four cases described above give a fair indication of the circumstances of a large majority of the 401 that received grants from Grand Lodge. In many of them the relief they get is all they have to depend upon. In others it is used to assist in enabling the children to get an education which otherwise they could not secure; then again in many cases it is used to pay for rent or fuel. Many of our people seem to experience their greatest difficulty in getting money to pay for these two items. In all I feel satisfied that the recipients of our benevolence are in every way worthy of relief and most of them need it very badly.

Yours fraternally,

J. B. NIXON,

Inspector of Benevolent Grants.

REPORT OF BOARD ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS.

R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, Deputy Grand Master, presented the following report, which was read by R. W. Bro. S. A. Luke, Chairman of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals:

REPORT

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on Grievances and Appeals, beg leave to report as follows:

1. Re Bro. Alfred Taylor, St. George's Lodge 367, Toronto. Bro. Taylor was summoned as a witness to give evidence before a commission, deputed to investigate an irregularity in the above lodge, which he repeatedly neglected to do, and was suspended therefor, June 15, 1912 by the M. W., the Grand Master, until the meeting of Grand Lodge at Toronto in 1912.

At that session your committee advised the continuance

of the said suspension until this meeting, with the proviso that should Bro. Taylor attend in St. George's Lodge and receive the censure which his conduct merited, then the M. W., the Grand Master should be empowered to remove the suspension.

Bro. Taylor in the interval has not signified his readiness to comply with the foregoing, and your Committee now recommend that the said suspension be continued for a further period of one year, unless, in the meantime Bro. Taylor notify St. George's Lodge of his willingness to attend, and accept the foregoing punishment, when upon satisfactory evidence of its completion the M. W., the Grand Master may forthwith remove the said suspension.

Re Silas Connelly, Hammond Lodge 327, Wardsville, in appeal versus Great Western Lodge 47, Windsor.

Last year your committee noted irregularities in the trial procedure, and advised that a commission or commissioner be appointed to conduct a new trial. No report has been received in this connection, and we now recommend as before, that the M. W., the Grand Master appoint a commission or commissioner to conduct a new trial, and report thereon at the next annual meeting of this Grand Lodge.

Re Ionic Lodge No. 25, Toronto, versus Bro. Alfred Hall, a member of said lodge, affiliated therewith Nov. 4, 1912 from Cascade Lodge No. 12, G. R. of British Columbia and now residing in British Columbia. Bro. Hall was convicted of fraud and sentenced to serve a term of twelve months with hard labor on the prison farm at Oakhalla, B. C., by His Honor Judge McInnes of the Criminal Court in and for the County of Vancouver on the 30th day of August, 1912. A certificate of the conviction and the sentence imposed by the presiding judge upon Bro. Hall on the aforesaid date, signed by J. C. Dockerell, Deputy Registrar of the said court forms part of the evidence submitted to your committee.

A charge of unmasonic conduct was filed with the Secretary of Ionic Lodge 3rd Dec. 1912. Presented to and accepted by the lodge Jan. 7, 1913. Trial was held 19th February, 1913. Proof of service on the accused, of both charge and date of trial was before your committee in the declaration of one J. C. Ralston of the city of Vancouver, B. C., sworn before a Justice of the Peace, and dated Jan. 16, 1913. The said trial resulted in the accused being found guilty on the above charge and recommended to this Grand Lodge for expulsion.

Your committee have noted the procedure at this trial and find the same in order. Have carefully read and considered a number of letters written by the accused to the Secretary of Ionic Lodge, in which there are exceedingly discourteous and contemptuous references and expressions, regarding eminent members of the judiciary and the legal profession, and of Ionic Lodge, Toronto, and therefore coincide with the action taken regarding him and now recommend that he be summoned to show cause at the next annual meeting of this Grand Lodge why he should not be expelled from the Craft.

4. Re Zeta Lodge No. 410, Toronto, versus John William Ross, a member.

Bro. Ross is charged with profligacy, non-support and cruelty to wife and daughter. The charges were laid against him March 12, 1913, read and accepted by the lodge on 28th of the same month, and the trial took place on May 10th, 1913, resulting in the accused being found guilty, suspended indefinitely, and the request made that this Grand Lodge do expel him from the Craft.

Your committee have carefully considered the evidence given at this trial, finding that he did several times beat his wife, on account of which on one occasion she had to leave the house, and that he was in the habit of spending a great part of his time in the company of another woman, as well as his means in drunken profligacy, to the detriment of the comfort and maintenance of his own family.

The evidence also establishes the fact that the brethren of Zeta Lodge, as also the Rev. Bro. Coburn at their instigation, have energetically endeavored to re-claim this brother but their good offices have been without avail and your committee are forced to the conclusion that in this action, Zeta Lodge members are justified in the course pursued and now recommend that Bro. John William Ross be summoned to appear at the next annual meeting and show cause why he should not be expelled from the Craft.

5. Re Zeta Lodge No. 410 versus Bro. Leonard Barker, an Entered Apprentice, forgery and theft.

Bro. Barker was arraigned at the County Court Judge's Criminal Court for the County of York, on the 7th day of March, 1913, before His Honor Judge Morgan, upon the charge of making and uttering a forged document, and the theft of \$36,000 from Beal Bros. of the city of Toronto, to which charges, he did enter the plea of guilty, and was thereon sentenced by the aforesaid presiding judge to two years less one day in the Central Prison at Toronto. A charge of committing the aforementioned offences was filed with the Secretary of Zeta Lodge on 13th March, 1913, read in open lodge and accepted 28th March, 1913, the accused being duly notified through the warden of the said prison 31st March, 1913 of both charges and date of trial which took place 10th May, 1913, at which time the said Bro. Barker was accounted guilty and recommended for expulsion.

Your committee concur in the action and recommendation of the lodge in this matter, and now recommend that Bro. Barker be summoned to show cause at the next annual meeting, why he should not be expelled from the Craft for these offences.

6. Re Durham Lodge No. 306, versus John R. Davis.

On Dec. 4, 1912, Bro. Davis was convicted of bigamy before His Honor Judge Leet of the Superior Court for the district of Montreal, and is now serving a sentence imposed on him by the said judge of three years in the penitentiary of St. Vincent De Paul therefor.

A charge was filed with the Secretary on Nov. 19, 1912, by Arthur Gun, a member of Durham Lodge to which the accused belonged, specifying that the said Davis was then under arrest for having in the month of September, 1912, unlawfully married a Miss Cummings, the daughter of a Master Mason residing in the village of Grenville, Quebec, while his lawful wife, Jane McLeod Davis, is still living at the village of Thessalon, Ont., where they were married on 12th September, 1888. The charge was accepted by the lodge at the regular meeting, Dec. 10, 1912, after he had been convicted and sentenced by the Superior Court, and the lodge trial was held on Feb. 11th, 1913, at which time and place both marriage certificates were exhibited.

Your committee agree that the course pursued by the members of Durham Lodge No. 306, in this matter was justified, and we now recommend that Bro. J. R. Davis be summoned to show cause at the next annual meeting of this Grand Lodge why he should not be expelled from the Craft for the aforesaid offence.

7. Re King Solomon Lodge No. 329, Jarvis, Ont., versus John Young Murdoch.

Bro. Murdoch was convicted of and sentenced to serve a term of six years in the penitentiary at Kingston by the Criminal Court of the County of Hallimand, on the 11th and 25th days of April 1911, for the crimes of forgery and theft of \$1,500.00 from, and while acting as solicitor for the executors of the estate of one, Ruth Walters. The said misdemeanors having been committed on or about the fifteenth day of February, 1908, and to all of which Bro. Murdoch, when called upon to plead did enter the plea of "guilty." A charge of unmasonic conduct was laid against Bro. Murdoch, by a member of the said lodge on Nov. 22nd, 1912, accepted by the lodge, Dec. 20, 1912, and at the regular meeting March 7, 1913, after due trial, Bro. Murdoch was suspended and recommended to this Grand Lodge for expulsion.

Your committee assent to the action of the lodge in this case, and recommend that he be summoned to show cause at the next annual session of this Grand Lodge why he should not be expelled from the Craft for the aforesaid offences.

8. Re Copestone Lodge 373, Welland, versus Alexander McK. Robbie.

On 27th Oct., 1912, several charges of unmasonic conduct were filed against Bro. Robbie by a member of the lodge, consisting of:

1. Desertion of wife and family.
2. Bigamy or adultery.
3. Obtaining money and goods under false pretence.
5. Appropriation of lodge property.

The Secretary of the said lodge having written the R. W., the Grand Secretary, in regard thereto, the M. W., the G. M. through that officer requested the D. D. G. M. of the district to make an investigation, which he did in Nov. and on finding

the above several charges substantially correct, advised accordingly, when the M. W., the G. M. suspended Bro. Robbie, Dec. 6th, 1912 until this meeting of Grand Lodge.

The M. W., the G. M. subsequently directed the charges to be re-read and accepted in the lodge, appointing R. W. Bro. Lyman Lee, P. D. D. G. M. of Hamilton District to hear the evidence and to report thereon, which he did on 12th May, 1913. The accused having been duly notified of the time and place of trial.

In his report R. W. Bro. Lee states that Bro. Robbie was elected at the regular meeting in Dec. and installed W.M., 27th Dec., St. John's day, 1911 as W. M. of Copestone Lodge.

On or about 10th January, 1912 he left the town of Welland ostensibly to proceed to Scotland in order to make good his claim to a legacy from his mother's estate, she having died during the year 1911.

Evidence in a police report from the chief constable of Dundee, establishes the fact that he did not make this journey or at least, appear in person to claim the legacy, and from the same source it is learned that he was married previous to his coming to this country to one Joan Dargie, now living with their three children at the town of Dalbeattie, Kirkcudbrightshire, Scotland, who issued a writ of arrestment or injunction against the payment of said legacy to Robbie and succeeded in the Scottish Courts in establishing her position as wife, and her rights to a share of the said legacy which the court awarded to her.

It developed during the aforesaid court proceedings that Robbie had deserted his wife number one, and family in 1904 and had not contributed anything towards their maintenance from that to the present date, therefore in the opinion of the Commissioner charge number one was clearly proven.

Regarding charge number 2, no evidence in support of bigamy could be procured, nor would the woman with whom he had been living at Welland since 1908, affirm or deny marriage with him, but in either one or the other particular he was clearly guilty.

On the third and fourth charges, the said commissioner did not find sufficient evidence in proof of false pretence, but rather that the accused was an absconded debtor.

Charge five was based on his having taken the Insurance policy and inventory papers of the lodge property away, and refusing to hand them to the succeeding Senior Warden in accordance with the lodge by-laws.

Your Committee having carefully read and considered all the evidence, and the report thereon submitted by the appointed commissioner, quite agree with his findings in the case, that the conduct of Bro. Alex. McKinnon Robbie merits expulsion, and therefore recommend that he be summoned to show cause at the next annual meeting of this Grand Lodge why he should not be expelled from the Craft for the said offences.

Re W. Bro. Archibald Campbell and Pequonga Lodge 414,
Petition for restoration.

Bro. Campbell was suspended, and recommended to this Grand Lodge for expulsion, for stealing, by the above lodge on the 4th day of March, 1896, and after having been duly summoned was expelled from the Craft by this Grand Lodge at the annual session of 1897.

At the session of this Grand Body in 1905, he petitioned for restoration, and was refused on the ground that there was not submitted to this Grand Lodge any evidence of his having made restitution, to those from whom he had stolen.

At the session of 1908, application was again made for restoration, apparently on the ground that partial return had been made to those injured, for at that meeting the board recommended, (and Grand Lodge adopted the recommendation), that the matter be left in the hands of the M. W., the Grand Master, to deal with, and that should the said Bro. Campbell, satisfy the M. W., the Grand Master that return had been made according to his ability, then the appeal should be granted, but if in the opinion of the M. W., the Grand Master commensurate return had not been made, the prayer be not granted. In a resolution dated July 2nd, 1913, given under the seal of the lodge, and signed by the W. M. and Secretary, Pequonga Lodge again petitions this Grand Lodge, on its own behalf, and that of Bro. Campbell for his restoration.

The resolution sets forth that Bro. Campbell has satisfied and performed all claims sustained by the brethren injured by his act, and was passed by unanimous ballot at a meeting of the lodge held on the above date.

Your committee therefore, in view of the statement made in the aforementioned resolution, that Bro. Campbell had discharged all claims to the satisfaction of the brethren, and in consideration of the long punishment (sixteen years), and the repeated petitions received by this Grand Lodge during that time, praying for his restoration, now recommend that W. Bro. Archibald Campbell be now restored to all his rights and privileges as a Mason.

Re Wm. A. Welch, Arcadia Lodge 440, Minden, Ont.

Bro. Welch was at one time Junior Warden of the above lodge and refused to fulfil his obligation of compliance to the rules of Grand Lodge made and provided for the government of the Craft. For the said misdemeanor he was suspended from all rights and privileges by the M. W., the Grand Master, Nov. 2nd, 1912, until this meeting of Grand Lodge.

Your committee concur in the action of the M. W., the Grand Master in this connection, and now recommend, that the suspension of the said brother Welch be continued until he is willing to obey the rules, and accede to the request made upon him, when the M. W., the Grand Master may forthwith remove the suspension.

Faternally submitted,

S. A. LUKE,

Chairman.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by R. W. Bro. S. A. Luke, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on Grievances and Appeals be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON THE CONDITION OF MASONRY.

R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, Deputy Grand Master, presented the following report, which was read by R. H. Bro. W. N. Ponton, Chairman of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry:

REPORT

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on the Condition of Masonry, begs leave to present the following report:

That Masonry in this jurisdiction has lost none of its ancient power and vital grip, none of its progressive, yet conservative stability, none of its fruitful and faithful character and standing as a factor in the national life, as a handmaid to religion, as an incentive to manly and virile virtues, will be apparent from a perusal of the annual reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters who have presided over the twenty-three districts, from a consideration of the reports of the standing Grand Lodge committees, statistical, benevolent and fraternal, and last and most from the address of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, with whom as executive head, the Craft has been, throughout the year, kept in close and inspiring touch. As he lays down the gavel of Grand Master in this July, 1913, it must be with not merely a consciousness of duty well done, of results successfully attained, of honours worthily won and worthily worn, but also with a realized sense of the expressed appreciation of his services and talents on the part of his brethren. The Deputy Grand Master shares in our esteem. They have touched nothing that they did not adorn.

Your Committee are of the opinion that condensed biographies of all Past Grand Masters should be prepared and preserved, not merely the lives of those who have passed from a life of labour to the refreshment of rest, but also of those who here and now are with us, who have considered their office a sacred trust, who have as men of light and leading identified themselves and are identifying themselves with the truest traditions and the most active development of the Craft, whose portraits adorn the walls of the lodge room at Toronto and elsewhere, whose lives are full of the lessons of matured experience, who lit their own fires and kindled the fire in others, and whom as exemplars and beacon lights, all thoughtful, earnest and aspiring Masons might follow, thereby raising the standard and condition of true Masonry wherever their good influence would reach and stimulate. Too often they are now but shadowy memories, let us make them living epistles, and gather

round the Historian of Grand Lodge a committee who will furnish his facile pen with biographical materials to be transmuted into brief epitomes of the careers of these leaders of men who have directed the destinies of this great fraternal commonwealth of Craft Masonry in this, our old historic British province for one hundred and fifty years.

In this connection also your Committee again reiterate the need of a new jurisprudence, embracing the leading decisions of the Grand Masters, and possibly extending the field of its usefulness, by a short, clear treatise on the unwritten laws and customs, the landmarks and basic principles of Masonry. What constitutes a State, may be applied as what constitutes a Craft? And the same answer alone will satisfy, viz.:

“Men who their duties know, and know their rights,
And knowing dare maintain; and Sovereign Law,
That Craft’s collected will, sits Empress,
Crowning good, repressing ill.”

We are a land and a Craft of settled government, where freedom slowly broadens down from precedent to precedent, and as Freemasons we should know and have access to the “perfect law of liberty,” keeping within the compasses, and controlled by stable masonic equilibrium.

The Committee on the Fraternal Dead will touch with sympathetic note the death of many brethren, who on the pass of a life well lived have entered the Lodge Celestial; and we who are still spared to live a life of usefulness, (for all true Masons are workers, not shirkers, and are eager to serve, and will to do well)—should express our gratitude to the Most High for present opportunity and for equality of opportunity, by being “constant and steadfast, zealous, witnessing,” animated by one concurrent purpose, one common task, to keep glowing the fires at the altars, the torch of life; to girdle the world with our landmarks of peace and good-will, to raise the standard of chivalrous honour, and together to radiate our boundless potential energy into good words and good works, ideas shared, ideals sought, so that each Mother Lodge may indeed be the mother of men, we happy in her and she blessed in her children, invoking the ancient craft of unity and strength as

“Mother of the free,
Wider still and wider may thy bounds be set,
God who made thee mighty make thee mightier
yet.”

We should be ever intensively cultivating the fertile human fields which surround us in concentric circles, nuclei of co-operative energy, uniting the past, present and future by the strands of memory, of love and of hope.

May we each deserve the ideal Masonic memorial epitaph:
“Somewhere hereabouts lies a very gallant gentleman.”

Not once or twice in our great Empire’s story
The path of Duty was the way to glory.

The reports from the districts may be said generally to

show the pulse of progress beating true and strong, the electric circuit well maintained, (with just enough cessation of current to require examination of insulators), the harmonies and concords of fraternal life well sustained, (with just enough ripples to prevent stagnation), the calibre and character of manhood in candidates well scrutinized, (with just enough imperfection to keep us vigilant), the officers well skilled as expert working craftsmen, the teachers of the Craft well versed in Masonic lore ready to share their thoughtful researches with their brethren, the long line of Past Masters with mellow experience, still actively faithful, and the members generally courteous, considerate, tolerant alert and eager. The loyalties of the Royal Craft, and the real verities and stirring activities of life are being well observed, for true Masonry has no room for shams, for veneering, for dogmas, for self-exaltation, for parasites or for laggards. Its essence is living men. We are all operative Masons in that our tenets should be reduced to practice, and we should translate into our lives the gentle principles with which each lodge, breathing the true Masonic spirit, the catholicity of good fellowship, is or should be impregnated. When the proceedings of Grand Lodge are published, let us pay these faithful representatives of the Grand Master and the committees the compliment of reading their reports and ascertaining whether they reflect a condition of affairs that satisfies and rings true or not; only thus can we know ourselves. But your committee know from experience of past years and from enquiry that these annual proceedings, full of nuggets of rich ore, the current chronicles of the flowing stream of contemporaneous Masonic History, are not read as universally by the Craft as they should be, that each lodge has not yet its library, that Masonic literature does not yet circulate as it should, giving that knowledge which is power to the reading Mason, and while the Masonic Press, edited by experienced and enthusiastic brethren, has done much to dispel those enemies of light, "lethargy and ignorance," and to bring us into touch with one another, yet there are still many who are not brought into mental contact with actual conditions, or with the best of modern Masonic thought.

In this connection we may mention the great work being performed by the Quatuor Coronati Lodge and the Canada Lodge, of London, England, whose transactions and whose influence are fountains of living wealth to the Craft. Why should we not have in Canada a lodge of research and learning like the Quatuor Coronati? We have the talent, and the material, let some one lead.

There are many pregnant subjects which suggest themselves for consideration in connection with the status of Masonry in reviewing the year's work, to which the limits of time will only permit a brief allusion, and to which the thoughtful attention of the brethren is requested during the coming year, and more especially in relation to those phases so ably treated in the district reports.

1. **Historic Relics.** There should be a repository for the

collection and utilization of Craft archives in Canada. While in Ottawa, brethren are advised to visit the National Archives Department and inspect the wonderful Masonic treasures already garnered.

2. **Arrears.** While the arrears of dues, especially in certain districts, have been considerably reduced, there is still a large amount of arrears, to which extent our energies are sapped.

3. **Special Meetings.** Celebrations of special anniversaries and national nights still find favor, and provided they are not overdone and extravagant expense incurred, so as to overburden the brethren of modest means, they appear to draw out all that is best in the members of the lodges.

4. **Funerals.** If a deceased brother claims the last tribute from his fellow members, then pride in Masonry, apart from the call of duty, demands that a goodly attendance should be secured: the prestige and honour of the Craft is involved with the community.

5. **Past Masters' Associations.** The success which has attended these organizations in Toronto, Hamilton, Port Arthur, Fort William and elsewhere, should be an incentive to all cities and centres to follow their worthy example. They have a steadying and educative effect.

6. **Non Affiliates.** A special effort should be made to secure the active participation of those who change their residence in the work of the lodges in their new home, as identified members. Do not let them grope or drift. A Masonic district directory of non-residents, not necessarily for publication, is suggested.

7. **The Ballot.** Some districts approve, several disapprove of the present method of balloting. Far more important than mechanical methods, however, is the fact that in three districts the work of the over zealous blackballer has been felt, with temporarily disastrous results to three lodges. Some potent means must be devised to get at the root of this evil, the misuse of the blackball, which one D. D. G. M. describes with deep feeling as, "that cowardly weapon of warfare." The petty, the trivial, the personal, should find no place in the exercise of this solemn and sacred duty of balloting.

8. **Address.** A carefully revised circular letter to be sent out by each D. D. G. M., on taking office, would be welcomed. That is a model address, revised by the Grand Master, with no salient points omitted, and with room for such variations or additions as local circumstances or environment might require.

9. **Punctuality, etc.** The prompt dispatch of business and ceremonial without delay or hesitancy; the conferring of one degree well rather than several poorly; the importance of making Masons Masons, rather than making men Masons; the

fact that so-called subordinate officers are of vital importance to the success of the work; the revision of all by-laws to date; the examination of those who have received the third degree, in justice to themselves, and the universal adoption through the district of the membership per capita tax to defray the expense of the D. D. G. M. and the annual lodge of instruction, are emphasized as factors in the future administration of the lodges, by the reports.

10. The closer and more harmonious and intelligent relations existing between Craft and Capitular Masonry, as in England, are subjects of congratulation.

11. Two model lodges are thus described, and your Committee cannot resist quoting in full their characteristics in the optimistic hope that there may be many like them. These lodges have, "A healthy treasury, active and increasing membership, principally young men, good average attendance, prompt and accurate attention to business and ceremonial work, officers thorough, Past Masters efficient, zealous and enthusiastic, harmony prevailing and no details omitted to make the evening pleasant, entertaining and instructive for those present."

Brethren, how many of our lodges can measure up to this standard, this category of active excellences?

Your Committee could fervently wish that all the Secretaries of all lodges deserved all the nice things so generously written of them by the District Deputy Grand Masters, but the fact remains and must again be emphasized that while the great majority know their duty and do it, and are entitled to all commendation as the backbone of their lodges, there are about thirty Secretaries who, year after year, clog the wheels of Grand Lodge, prevent the completing of the records, jeopardize the life of the Grand Secretary, and fail at the crucial and critical time when called on to send in the statistical returns of their lodges, thereby obliterating much of the good done by them during the year, and preventing justice being done to their lodge and their brethren to and for whom they are officially responsible. Each lodge is a unit, but a unit in an orbit, as the stars in the firmament. Your Committee trust that this will be the last and final appeal, both to Secretaries and to District Deputies, who cannot delegate their powers, and that next year every report and return will be in the hands of the Grand Secretary before 1st July, as required. We speak with a chastened remonstrance, remembering our own many shortcomings, but some one must speak in friendly counsel and stern exhortation.

Your Committee will not trench on the prerogatives of other committees who deal in detail with the statistics, the multiplication of the utilities, of Grand Lodge save in so far as to note with much satisfaction that 23 districts (and there might well be 25), 432 lodges under warrant and dispensation, a total of the year's receipts of \$61,000, and approximately 53,200 live members in good standing, form no

mean record for this Grand jurisdiction. Surely with such resource, we ought to be a power house on the line. Yet, let us not vaunt our strength, or tabulate our assets with vulgar pride, but each accept with reverential gratitude, the personal and the collective responsibility of what has been committed to our trust, and see to it that we all live up to the inspirational source and reservoir from which it is derived. We can then, with justifiable confidence, truly say,

“So long Thy power hath blessed us, sure it still, will lead us on,”

and with firm step and decisive grip advancing all along the line, we take up the free man's burden, the free man's glorious privilege,

“God grant our greatness may not fail
Through craven fear of being great.”

The approaching international celebration of a century of Anglo Saxon peace—the productive Pax Britannica—recalls to our minds with justifiable pride, what a practical part the confraternity of Masonry has played as a factor in maintaining that peace, in eliminating the microbe of disintegration, in deleting the lines of cleavage, in bridge-building, and cementing national amity, in increasing mutual respect and establishing understanding, in stilling the strife of races, of all of which Edward VII., of beloved memory, our great Grand Master was the exemplar. The inscription on his monument reads, “By truth and justice he strove that wars might cease.” “There's nothing so kingly as kindness, there's nothing so royal as truth.” It has been suggested that the Craft might worthily participate in this pacific centenary celebration by holding a Grand Festival similar to that held periodically in London, a magnetic centre which would draw the best of the world-wide brotherhood to the trysting place under the aegis of our own Grand Master, we originating the idea, and on our own Canadian soil, with no territorial sovereignty invaded, but all pitching our tents together in the plains of peace. Treaties may be abrogated, even landmarks removed, but

“There is neither East nor West, border nor breed nor birth

When good strong men come face to face though they
come from the ends of the earth.”

Masonry has neither latitude nor longitude; and as the Empire is wherever the flag floats in the beams of a ceaseless morning, so Masonry is wherever a loyal heart of the Brotherhood of solidarity beats true and free. Such a gathering with such a purpose would be an object lesson to humanity, and we would weave into the web and warp and woof of the field of the cloth of gold of the Masonic fabric, a new and richer beauty than ever before—Blessed are the Peacemakers!

Why should not our Grand Lodges draw closer together in consultation? Let our doctrine and our life in practice be coincident; we speak of brethren being links in a living chain, then our Grand Lodges should be linked Battalions. We need

more than honorary representatives at and near Grand Lodge: we need more than the Report on Foreign Correspondence, excellent as that is under the veteran journalistic touch and concentrating analysis of Most Worshipful Bro. Freed. Consultative and friendly conferences of Grand Masters and Past Grand Masters as to the general scope, trend and interests of Masonry might produce beneficial results. We have for centuries been laying foundations, gathering materials, shaping stones, let us now build together, but always preserving our own autonomy, our own distinctive type and work. We trust that our Grand Master in this, may lead, the time is ripe, the occasion is auspicious. Masonry more than any other human organization can, with a clear objective, under a capable leader, raise the thought, fix the purpose, touch the life; light is the great germicide of quarrels. If nations and men would "follow light and do the right" then the shadows would disappear in light, and the working tools of peace would bring the statelier era back to man. For this Masonry has always striven and now more than ever it is our duty—we are ancients of the days but in the morning of the times—representatives of the past but also prophets and forerunners of the golden years to come.

True Masonry is more than a great school of character, though its educative duties and privileges should never be lost sight of in the lodges and at our gatherings. It is a spectrum through which the light absorbed will be radiated out. It is a great laboratory wherein is moulded and developed the triple alliance of mind and heart and will, and—

"That faultless trinity
Of body, mind and spirit;
Whoso would mark and reach
The height of man's election
Must still achieve and teach
The triplicate perfection."

According as her labours rise, so her rewards increase.

Note, then, the constant, though sometimes unconscious endeavours of all earnest brethren to make the most and best use of Masonry in four at least of its various and versatile manifestations, for like the cathedrals of old, monuments of the skill and worship of our ancient brethren, the great Masonic Temple may be best described as

"Unity, Mystery, Majesty, Grace,
Stone upon stone, and each stone in its place."

It is a living organism, a mosaic of humanity, in which we the workers must perfect the cement of friendship, and the symmetry and balance of wisdom, strength and beauty. Draw now the threefold knot firm on the ninefold band.

A glance then at the four quarters on the shield.

(1) **The Social Side:**—Where we realise ourselves in association, revealing and releasing otherwise latent powers and capabilities,

"worth in all, wit in some,
laughter open, slander dumb."

and forgetting not to do good and to communicate happiness to others. The reports show that the virtues of intellectual and cordial conviviality and hospitality are eminently cultivated in this jurisdiction and that as in the cause of peace, so in the cause of temperance in its broadest sense, with excesses minimized, Masonry is a potent factor for good.

(2) **The Ritual and Ceremonial Side:**—By nature we love to see things done decently and in order, but this is something more, for beyond the rhythmic cadence of poetic prose and antique phrase, great and significant truths are latent and find expression through men the interpreters: let us see to it then that we are interpreters and not mere phonographs or echoists. The letter killeth, the spirit giveth life.

(3) **The Religious or Spiritual Side:**—Reverence for the name and attributes of the Deity checks profanity, and true Masons take not the name of the Most High in vain. The Book of the Law is the spiritual trestle-board. In this Royal Craft we are all "Defenders of the Faith," that faith that puts to flight the armies of the aliens, that faith that enables us to realise as we sing,

"How gleams and burns the guiding light,
Brother clasps the hand of brother
Stepping fearless through the night."

(4) **The Charitable Side:**—The hearts of all the Grand Masters and especially of Most Worshipful Brother Harding who conceived the noble idea and our present Grand Master under whose sway it was consummated, must have throbbed with satisfaction when the Semi-Centennial Fund ceased to be merely potential and became a real productive power. But will the brethren stop there? Surely not! New occasions teach new duties. Masonry for the young man and the young man for Masonry is an echo from many of the reports. These young brethren will claim a part in the glory and pride and aim of the Committee on Benevolence—and will evidence, by contributory activity with generous spirit, the truth of Burns' line, "A brother to relieve how exquisite the bliss."

In England last month at a Festival presided over by Sir Edward Letchworth, the veteran Grand Secretary, who has just completed 500 consecrations of lodges, \$250,000 was raised for the maintenance of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls—the children of deceased Masons—and a like sum is this month being raised for a similar Institution for Boys. Who says that the old Motherland is decadent or that Masonry is futile there? How soon will Canada, with her growing cities, with her complicated problems of living, need to have more ample and more effective provision for those in need? Such ennobled charity the brethren may be called upon at no distant date to bestow. If so, they will rally to the call,—give concrete direction to their energies. We are a great national association of practical and discriminating philanthropy.

The welfare of Masonry and of the nation, for which

each loyal citizen is a trustee, requires us to consider whether we are doing all in our power to make a homogeneous Canadian whole, out of the heterogeneous materials, annually landing on our shores. Are we helping to assimilate them, to make the foreigner feel the touch of British brotherhood, to understand the symbolism of our free and happy Union Jack, the ideals of British life and citizenship? Are we welcoming specially the immigrants from our own Motherlands, and making them realize that they are only moving from one room to another of the Empire's great workshop? If so, the condition of Masonry is sound. Are we obeying the command, "The stranger that sojourneth with you shall be unto you as the home born." Are we freely giving them the opportunity of saying to us and of feeling in their hearts, "Entreat me not to leave thee; where thou lodgest I will lodge; thy people shall be my people; thy God, my God."

Many lands, one Empire! Many lodges, one Craft. Her veins are millions, her heart but one.

That Arthur, Duke of Connaught, Grand Master of the Mother Grand Lodge of England, the Representative of our Sovereign in Canada, fully embodies in his own person and office the old definition of a Free and Accepted Mason, viz.: "A free man, brother to a King, fellow to a Prince, companion to a peasant, if a Mason and found worthy," will be admitted by all. His reception by the Masons of Britain in London last month was a triumph of enthusiasm and deep feeling. One extract from his speech there affects the welfare, the condition, the work of that broad Masonry for which the most we can do is the least we can do, which raises the tone of public life, and through which we serve the world by serving those with whom we are brought into fraternal and friendly contact. "We have power," he said, "to do more than we are doing now. Can we not hope that, while as Freemasons we refrain from taking part in religious and political strife we may yet by our example mitigate the bitterness of these controversies? Can we not hope to influence in some degree that good will among which makes for peace among nations?" With one accord the Masons of this jurisdiction answer, "we will;" and in doing so we welcome back to Canada for another year of public-spirited duty, one who has the courtesy of the aristocrat, the geniality of the democrat, the manliness of the man.

And in conclusion, after a retrospect of the past year of progress (not neglecting our warning 'lest we forget'), keeping up the the lines of communication, growing in strength and fibre as in mass and multitude, appreciating the beauties and practising the teachings, cherishing the keystone which is the hearthstone, building for human needs, do we not realize that the Craft, like the Empire, is its own best asset, that truth cannot remain sterile, that as bright, live every-day Masons, men of cheerful yesterdays and confident to-morrows, tall men who stand above the fog in public duty and in private thinking, with a vision splendid on a wide horizon, but also with that practical, downright, sturdy reliable, manly character

that often determines destiny, we can together give effective aid to every vital movement (local or national), if we only fully recognize the strength of co-operation, and by developing man power in our Masonic intercourse, we can make this old world better worth living in and Heaven more accessible through work and duty done. We can link the finite with infinity, and this is an indispensable and inalienable condition of true Masonry.

And finally, foregathered in this 'Athens of the North,' and finding fitting expression in the wonderfully cumulative and beautifully marshalled words (worthy of our Brother St. Paul), of an Egyptian Grand Master written in hieroglyphs 4,000 years ago on the Banks of the Nile, we greet and hail each and all our brethren of this Grand Lodge and those whom they so honourably and worthily represent—

"May God give thee all good, pure, sweet and pleasant things, the gifts of Heaven, the products of earth, stability, serenity, power, life, health, strength, and all joy of heart."

Fraternally submitted,

W. N. PONTON,

Chairman.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by R. W. Bro. W. N. Ponton, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on the Condition of Masonry be received and adopted.

NOTICES OF MOTION

The Grand Secretary presented the following notices of motion—

By R. W. Bro. J. K. Brydon;

That section 3 of the Constitution be amended by adding the following:

"Except in the cases of lodges in the Districts of Thunder Bay and Kenora, which shall have the power to appoint a Past Master residing in the District of Algoma, No. 17, and such proxy to represent three or less lodges in the said district at the annual communication of Grand Lodge."

By R. W. Bro. Roger Miller,

"That a clause be attached to clause No. 242 of the Book of Constitution, and be numbered 242(a), which shall read as follows:"

"A Lodge of Instruction shall be held in each district once a year, the date to be selected by the D. D. G. M.

"That clause 31 be amended by striking out the words "Grand Lodge" and inserting instead the words "Lodge of Instruction."

(Which, if adopted, would make clause 31 read as follows:

—"Subject to the approval of and confirmation of the Grand Master, the District Deputy Grand Master of each district shall be elected by the majority of Past Masters and the representatives of the lodges of such district present at the Lodge of Instruction. He must be a Past Master and a resident of the district for which he is elected. Should he, at the time of his election, be Master of a lodge, and should his election be confirmed by the Grand Master, such election shall, ipso facto, operate to vacate his office of Master and a new election shall be held by the lodge."

"That Clause 32 be amended by striking out the words "8 o'clock p.m. on the first day of the Annual Meeting of Grand Lodge" and substituting therefor the words "2 o'clock p.m. on the day of the Annual Lodge of Instruction."

(Which, if adopted, would make clause 32 read as follows:—"The election of the District Deputy Grand Master shall be held at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m. on the day of the Annual Lodge of Instruction, and the result shall be forthwith communicated to the Grand Secretary by the Chairman of the district meeting.")

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON CONSTITUTION AND LAWS.

R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, Deputy Grand Master presented the following report, which was read by M. W. Bro. J. H. Burritt, Chairman of the Committee on Constitution and Laws.

REPORT

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on Constitution and Laws, begs to present the following report:—

1. As to the notice of motion of R. W. Bro. J. K. Brydon to amend clause 3 of the Constitution which would allow one brother in the western part of one jurisdiction to carry proxies from three lodges situated in that territory. With a change of phraseology without any material alteration in the territory to be covered, this motion has been before Grand Lodge four or five times; was voted on in 1911 and was declared lost.

Last year it was again on the notice of motion paper and this Committee then reported to Grand Lodge that inasmuch as the same motion had been defeated the previous year, it could not be again considered by Grand Lodge within 5 years after such rejection, except leave be given by Grand Lodge by a two-thirds vote, such vote to be taken without debate. (Sec. 45.)

Your Board therefore state for your approval, that said motion cannot legally come before Grand Lodge except as aforesaid.

2. With respect to the notice of motion of R. W. Bro. Roger Miller for the amendment of the Constitution regarding

compulsory Lodges of Instruction and other matters, we have to report that Bro. Miller has withdrawn his notice of motion, without prejudice to his introducing it at some future date.

Fraternally submitted,

JAS. H. BURRITT,

Chairman.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by M. W. Bro. J. H. Burritt, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on Constitution and Laws be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON THE FRATERNAL DEAD.

R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, Deputy Grand Master, presented the following report, which was read by R. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, Chairman of the Committee on the Fraternal Dead.

REPORT

The Board of General Purposes through the Committee on the Fraternal Dead, beg to report:

The close of another year brings again to our minds those who have passed from our ranks over to the majority. Notably among them is the Duke of Abercorn, who was Grand Master of Irish Freemasonry, having been appointed to that office in 1886, succeeding the first Duke, who had ruled from 1874. He died on the first of January last. He was also appointed Grand Senior Warden of England in 1875, and ruled over 481 lodges, scattered over all parts of Ireland, being divided into Provinces, while there were others situated in New Zealand, Africa, South and Western Australia, Gibraltar, Malta, Ceylon, India, West Indies and eight attached to various units of the Army. His Grace was also head of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Ireland and President of The Masonic Female Orphan's School, The Masonic Orphan Boy's School, and the Victoria Jubilee Masonic Annuity Fund.

M. W. Bro. and Honorable John V. Ellis, P. G. M. of New Brunswick, and a Senator of the Dominion of Canada, died on the 10th inst., at the age of seventy eight. He was Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick during the years 1872, 1873, 1874, 1884, 1885 and 1886. He presided at the celebration of the Centennial of Freemasonry in New Brunswick on the 1st of July, 1884, at the city of St. John and delivered the address on that occasion. For a great many years he was active in Scottish Rite Freemasonry, holding the rank of Active Thirty Third, and was a Past Sovereign Grand Commander of the Rite. For fifty two years he was editor of the St. John Globe newspaper. His character was full of force,

and he had the courage always of his convictions. In 1887, he was the storm centre of one of the biggest sensations ever connected with the newspaper profession in Canada, was convicted for contempt of Court, and served a term in prison. When he visited England, he was granted a special audience by King Edward VII, and Queen Alexandra.

Appended to this report will be found the names of those who have entered the pale kingdoms of death with all their innumerable silent nations and generations.

Within This Jurisdiction

R. W. Bro. John Hewton, P. D. D. G. M. of Frontenac District No. 14, died March 26th, 1912.

R. W. Bro. David Taylor, P. D. D. G. M., Ottawa District No. 16, died August 25th, 1912.

V. W. Bro. Allen Cameron, Past Grand Junior Deacon, died 6th September, 1912.

R. W. Bro. Peter McLaren, P. D. D. G. M., North Huron District No. 5, died December 19th, 1912.

V. W. Bro. John A. Campbell, Past Grand Superintendent of Works, died February 28th, 1913.

R. W. Bro. Robert McCaw, P. D. D. G. M., Ontario District No. 12, died March 7th, 1913.

R. W. Bro. Wm. Kerns, P. D. D. G. M., Hamilton District No. 8, died March 16th, 1913.

R. W. Bro. Wm. Franklin, P. D. D. G. M., Eastern District No. 21, died April 22nd., 1913.

V. W. Bro. John H. Dickinson, Past Grand Steward, died April 28th, 1913.

V. W. Bro. Charles Scrase, Past Grand Steward, died May 20th, 1913.

V. W. Bro. Robert Cox, Past Grand Steward, died June 4th, 1913.

V. W. Bro. Robert Delahay, Past Grand Steward, died June 30th, 1913.

Foreign Jurisdictions

M. W. Bro. Leander Warren Frary, P. G. M. Grand Lodge of Montana, Oct. 24, 1911.

M. W. Bro. Thos. M. Matthews, P. G. M., Grand Lodge of Texas, June 4, 1912.

M. W. Bro. Liberty Eaton Fellows, P. G. M., Grand Lodge of Iowa, July 17, 1912.

M. W. Bro. Andrew Sagendorf, P. G. M., Grand Lodge of Colorado, Aug. 2, 1912.

M. W. Bro. Joseph Chapman, P. G. M., Grand Lodge of Iowa, Aug. 27, 1912.

M. W. Bro. Christopher G. Fox, P. G. M., Grand Lodge of New York, Sept. 5, 1912.

M. W. Bro. Americus V. Warr, P. G. M., Grand Lodge of Tennessee, Oct. 2, 1912.

M. W. Bro. Henry Roger Wells, P. G. M., Grand Lodge of Minnesota, Oct. 13, 1912.

M. W. Bro. Chas. F. Hitchcock, P. G. M., Grand Lodge of Illinois, Oct. 26, 1912.

M. W. Bro. Aylett Rains Cotton, P. G. M., Grand Lodge of Iowa, Oct. 30, 1912.

M. W. Bro. Daniel Hotchkiss Wheeler, P. G. M., Grand Lodge of Nebraska, Nov. 27, 1912.

M. W. Bro. John Bernard Haffy, P. G. M., Grand Lodge of Colorado, Dec. 9, 1912.

M. W. Bro. Geo. Washington Monroe, P. G. M., Grand Lodge of Montana, Dec. 22, 1912.

M. W. Bro., His Grace, the Duke of Abercorn, G. M. of the Grand Lodge of Ireland, Jan. 1, 1913.

M. W. Bro. Leander Burdick, P. G. M., Grand Lodge of Ohio, Jan. 1, 1913.

M. W. Bro. J. W. Sorrels, P. G. M., Grand Lodge of Arkansas, Jan. 14, 1913.

M. W. Bro. Oscar Sherman Gifford, P. G. M., Grand Lodge of South Dakota, Jan. 16, 1913.

M. W. Bro. Joseph Hall, P. G. M. Grand Lodge of West Virginia, Jan. 25, 1913.

M. W. Bro. Harry Bailey, P. G. M., Grand Lodge of Kentucky, Jan. 27, 1913.

M. W. Bro. R. M. Lusk, P. G. M., Grand Lodge of Texas, Feb. 21, 1913.

M. W. Bro. Leroy Branch Valliant, P. G. M., Grand Lodge of Missouri, Mar. 3, 1913.

M. W. Bro. Benj. F. Turner, P. G. M., Grand Lodge of Connecticut, April 17, 1913.

M. W. Bro. Herbert Brown, P. G. M., Grand Lodge of Arizona, May 12, 1913.

M. W. Bro. Styles T. Rowe, P. G. M., Grand Lodge of Arkansas, June 2, 1913.

M. W. Bro. James J. Dunlop, P. G. M., Grand Lodge of Alberta, June 12, 1913.

M. W. Bro. John V. Ellis, P. G. M., Grand Lodge of New Brunswick, July 10, 1913.

M. W. Bro. Chas. Elliott Sweet, P. G. M., Grand Lodge of Michigan, July 11, 1913.

R. W. Bro. Edward T. Schultz, P. S. G. W., Historian Grand Lodge of Maryland, Mar. 11, 1913.

What is death? Why do we mourn for those who die? Why do we dread to face death ourselves? Not because of the loss of the physical body, surely. The physical body is a source of pain and fatigue to us. It is the constant index of our limitations. Why, then, do we worry for its detach-

ment from ourselves? We are taught that we are here simply to prepare ourselves for a better life. Do we unreservedly and with faith accept this teaching? If so, why again do we mourn for those who have left us, and why do we ourselves shrink from making the journey, one that we know we cannot avoid and must take? Is it because we are craven? That we have no faith in ourselves? Or is it because of the lives we lead? Are we false to our profession? Do we doubt?

That life is immortal all concede. The hope it begets blossoms in every clime under all conditions. No age has seen it extinct. Suffice it now to give two of the thousands of illustrations which are at hand. Lamartine, in his History of Turkey, says: "When an Arab died, his finest camel was tied to a stake beside his grave, and left to expire of hunger on the body of his master, in order that he should be furnished with his habitual mountage in the region to which death had introduced him." In Knight's History of England, we are told that Sir Walter Raleigh the night before his death, wrote these lines on a blank leaf of his Bible:

"E'en such is time; who takes in trust
Our youth, our joys and all we have,
And pays us but with age and dust,
Who in the dark and silent grave,
When we have wandered all our ways,
Shuts up the story of our days,
But from this earth, this grave, this dust,
The Lord will raise me up, I trust."

O ye loved ones that already sleep in the noiseless "Bed of Rest," who in life we knew—yet a little while, and we shall all meet There, and our mother's bosom will screen us all, and Oppression's harness and Sorrow's fire-whip and all the ills that patrol and inhabit ever-vexed Time, cannot thenceforth harm us any more.

Fraternally submitted,

FRED W. HARCOURT,

Chairman.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by R. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on the Fraternal Dead be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, Deputy Grand Master, presented the report on Foreign Correspondence, which upon motion was received and ordered to be printed in the proceedings of Grand Lodge.

SPECIAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE

M. W. Bro. A. T. Freed, presented the following Special Reports of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence:

YORK GRAND LODGE OF MEXICO

To the President of the Board of General Purposes:

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence, to which was referred a communication from the M. W., the Grand Master of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico asking for fraternal recognition of and an exchange of representatives with the York Grand Lodge of Mexico, begs leave to recommend that, for reasons given in this Committee's report of last year, recognition of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico be for the present deferred.

Fraternally submitted,
A. T. FREED,
Chairman.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by M. W. Bro. A. T. Freed, and

Resolved that the special report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence regarding the York Grand Lodge of Mexico be received and adopted.

RE PROPOSAL OF THE GRAND LODGE OF OREGON REGARD- ING A CENTRAL REPRESENTATIVE MASONIC BODY

To the President of the Board of General Purposes:

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence, to which was referred a circular letter issued by the M. W., the Grand Lodge of Oregon, A. F. & A. M., inviting this Grand Lodge to participate in a Convention, to be held at San Francisco, for the purpose of forming a central representative Masonic body, with authority to enact laws and take measures binding upon the various jurisdictions participating," begs leave to report.

That the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario is a sovereign and independent Masonic body; that it cannot become a member of a central representative Masonic body without surrendering some portion of its independence; that, in the opinion of the Committee it is not necessary, wise nor expedient that such independence should be impaired to any extent; and the Committee recommends that this Grand Lodge do not participate in the proposed Convention at San Francisco, nor take part in any movement for the formation of a central representative Masonic body.

Fraternally submitted,
A. T. FREED,
Chairman.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by M. W. Bro. A. T. Freed, and

Resolved that the Special Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence regarding the proposal of the M. W., the Grand Lodge of Oregon be received and adopted.

NOTICES OF MOTION

The following notices of motion to be submitted on the second day of this Annual Communication, were given, viz:—

By R. W. Bro. A. J. Young,

That the sum of \$500.00 be set apart from the funds of Grand Lodge, to procure a suitable testimonial to the retiring Grand Master.

By R. W. Bro. W. J. Drope,

That the sum of \$600.00 be set apart from the funds of Grand Lodge to defray the expenses of a Provincial Lodge of Instruction.

By M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, G. M.

That the sum of \$150.00 be contributed by this Grand Lodge towards the erection of a suitable monument in memory of the late R. W. Bro. Rev. Ziba M. Phillips, Hon. P. D. P. G. M.

The M. W., the Grand Master appointed R. W. Bro. G. R. Lloyd, Chairman of the Scrutineers of the Ballot.

NOMINATIONS

Nominations for election of Grand Officers and members of the Board of General Purposes for the ensuing year, and for the place of holding the next annual meeting of Grand Lodge were received.

CALLED OFF

Grand Lodge was called from labour to refreshment at six o'clock p.m., to meet again at 9.45 o'clock on July 17th.

SECOND DAY

Thursday, July 17th. 1913.

The Grand Lodge resumed labour at ten o'clock a.m.. M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, Grand Master on the throne; Grand Officers, members and representatives present.

The list of nominations for the election of Grand Lodge Officers and members of the Board of General Purposes for the ensuing year, and for the place of holding the next annual communication, were read by the Grand Secretary.

SCRUTINEERS OF THE BALLOT

The M. W., the Grand Master appointed the following Scrutineers of the ballot for Grand Officers and elective members of the Board of General Purposes and for the place of holding the next annual communication, directed them to collect the ballot and to report the result to Grand Lodge.

R. W. Bro. G. R. Lloyd, Strict Observance Lodge No. 27, Hamilton, Chairman; R. W. Bro. W. M. Logan, St. John's Lodge No. 40, Hamilton; W. Bros J. D. Denny, and H. C. Ellis, Dalhousie Lodge No. 52, Ottawa; W. Bros. D. A. Esdale, The Builders' Lodge No. 177, Ottawa; John Munro and Geo. Powers, Lodge of Fidelity No. 231, Ottawa; W. Madill, Georgina Lodge No. 343, Toronto; T. Cuffe, Zeta Lodge No. 410, Toronto; S. A. Morgan, Acacia Lodge No. 61, Hamilton; A. B. Clark and G. B. Perry, Doric Lodge No. 382, Hamilton; G. H. Lanigan, Dundurn Lodge No. 475, Hamilton; A. W. Palmer, Electric Lodge No. 495, Hamilton; Wm. Field, Strict Observance Lodge No. 27, Hamilton; F. W. Taylor, Burlington Lodge No. 165, Burlington; J. H. Glover, Harmony Lodge No. 57, Binbrook; G. C. McConachie, Union Lodge No. 7, Grimsby; W. J. W. Lowrie, Russell Lodge No. 479, Russell; John Brennen, St. George Lodge No 367, Toronto; E. A. James, Patterson Lodge No. 265, Thornhill; E. R. Read, Brant Lodge No. 45, Brantford; A. T. Skill, Elk Lake Lodge No. 507, Elk Lake; T. W. Foster, Porcupine Lodge No. 506, Porcupine; C. J. Warwick, Cataraqui Lodge No. 92, Kingston; J. McL. Hartley, King Solomon's Lodge No. 22, Toronto; J. R. Bulmer, St. Andrew's Lodge No. 16, Toronto; J. A. Ross and E. S. McPhail, Doric Lodge No. 58, Ottawa; A. M. Heron, Acacia Lodge No. 430, Toronto; John Renwick, St. Andrew's Lodge No. 62, Caledonia, and C. A. Sanders, Clifton Lodge No. 254, Niagara Falls.

ADOPTION OF REPORTS

It was moved by R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by M. W. Bro. D. F. Macwatt, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on Audit and Finance be adopted.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by M. W. Bro. J. E. Harding, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on Benevolence be adopted.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF THE BOARD ON
AUDIT AND FINANCE.

REPORT

The Board of General Purposes through the Committee on Audit and Finance beg to report that they have had under consideration the following resolution passed by the board, viz.—

“Resolved that, with the object of procuring greater uniformity in Craft work throughout the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, it is most desirable that a general Lodge of Instruction be held, at the call of the Grand Master, at some convenient place and be attended by all the incoming District Deputy Grand Masters and their expenses be paid out of the funds of Grand Lodge; and that the Committee on Audit and Finance be instructed to report funds for that purpose.”

Your Committee on Audit and Finance therefore recommend that a sum not exceeding \$600.00 be granted from the funds of Grand Lodge towards defraying the expenses of the incoming District Deputy Grand Masters to a provincial Lodge of Instruction.

NOTICES OF MOTION

It was moved by R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by R. W. Bro. S. A. Luke

That the Special Report of the Board on Audit and Finance re provincial Lodge of Instruction, recommending an appropriation of \$600.00 be received and adopted.

It was moved in amendment by W. Bro. U. A. Buchner, seconded by R. W. Bro. H. C. Jones,

That the matter be laid on the table and not considered until the next meeting of Grand Lodge.

The amendment was declared “carried.”

It was moved by R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by M. W. Bro. B. Allen, and

Resolved, That the sum of \$150.00 be appropriated from

the funds of Grand Lodge to erect a monument to R. W. Bro. Ziba Marcus Phillips, P. D. P. G. M. whose devotion to and services for Masonry in the early part of the nineteenth century are entitled to recognition and whose grave in Read's Cemetery in the township of Augusta, in the county of Grenville is still unmarked by any stone.

NOTICE OF MOTION

For Next Annual Communication.

By E. A. James, of Patterson Lodge No. 265.

Whereas York Lodge No. 156, G. R. C., formerly located in the town of North Toronto, now in the city of Toronto, by virtue of the annexation of the town to the city and having previous to said annexation concurrent jurisdiction under resolution of Grand Lodge, with the lodges of the city of Toronto.

And whereas under the interpretation of the constitution of Grand Lodge, York Lodge has absolute control over an area which is purely rural in character.

And whereas York Lodge No. 156 having deemed that it is in the interest of Masonry that Patterson Lodge No. 265, situated $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles from the north limits of the city be given concurrent jurisdiction with York Lodge over an area extending from the north city limits to a line half way between the lodge rooms of York and Patterson Lodges and have forwarded to Grand Lodge a resolution to this effect.

Therefore I give notice that I will move at the next regular meeting of Grand Lodge that Grand Lodge grant Patterson Lodge concurrent jurisdiction over said area, notwithstanding the provisions of the constitution in that behalf to the contrary, if any.

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

To the M. W., the Grand Master, Officers and Members of Grand Lodge:

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

The committee appointed to consider and report upon the address of the M. W., the Grand Master beg leave to congratulate M. W. Bro. Aubrey White on the eminent success which has marked and adorned his administration for the past Masonic year. The roll of lodges has been materially increased, the membership has grown in a highly satisfactory manner; harmony has reigned throughout the jurisdiction; friendship with foreign jurisdictions has been strengthened; the income of Grand Lodge has been ample for its needs and has been wisely administered; and the principles and teachings of Freemasonry have been more widely spread over this great Province of Ontario. While these results are due mainly to the labors and zeal of the brethren we know that those labors

have been encouraged and guided and that zeal stimulated by M. W. Bro. White. He has visited all parts of the jurisdiction, attending Lodges of Instruction, consecrating lodges, dedicating Masonic halls, laying corner stones, and encouraging effort in all directions. He has spared neither time nor strength, nor thought in carrying on the work he took in hand; and it must be a cause of gratitude and of pride to him that his labors have been so abundantly blessed.

The members of the committee rejoice with the Grand Master that though a few lodges have not contributed the proportion of the Semi-Centennial Fund expected from them, yet the aggregate of receipts at the end of the financial year had exceeded the sum looked for when the scheme was started. While this result must be cause for joy and thankfulness to M. W. Bro. Harding who originated the scheme, and to M. W. Bro. White, under whose administration the goal was reached, yet the good that has been done, the suffering that has been alleviated, the sorrow that has been mitigated, and the tears that have been wiped away more than compensate them for all their efforts. Let us trust that no brother in the jurisdiction will consider the fund to be closed, but that further contributions will steadily flow in helping to carry relief and gladness to the habitations of want and destitution, to dry the tears of the widow and the orphan, and to scatter blessings and benefits to all around.

While congratulating the Grand Master on the number of new lodges formed during the year, the members of the committee feel certain that no dispensation was granted without reasonable assurance that the lodge would prove successful and stable.

We approve of the recommendations made by the Grand Master for appointments of representatives of foreign Grand Lodges near this Grand Lodge, and desire to point out the duty of such to be representatives in fact as well as in name by being present at communications of Grand Lodge with fair regularity.

We approve the recommendation of the Grand Master that the Grand Secretary issue a circular to officers of constituent lodges requesting them to compare their by-laws with the constitution with a view to having them agree.

We agree with the Grand Master that it is highly desirable that a Lodge of Instruction be held each year in each district, and recommend the appointment of a committee to devise, if possible, a plan under which the holding of such annual Lodges of Instruction shall be held, at the same time safeguarding the rights of the constituent lodges.

We join with the Grand Master in appreciation of the valuable services of the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary, and congratulate Grand Lodge on having such faithful and valuable officers.

With a single exception, respecting which we have doubt,

we believe the Grand Master to have been correct in his rulings and recommend that they be approved by Grand Lodge. The exception is ruling No. 18, but as that has already been adopted and approved by Grand Lodge, it bears the force of Masonic law in this jurisdiction.

We approve the recommendation to proceed with the card index system for the Grand Secretary's office. As the appropriation for the work has been provided by the adoption of the report on Finance further action is not necessary.

Finally, we desire to join with the Grand Master in expressing gratitude to the great Giver of Good for the protection He has thrown around our beloved order and the manifold blessings He has showered upon us. May that protection and those blessings be continued to M. W. Bro. White, when he retires from the active duties of his exalted office, be graciously vouchsafed to the incoming Grand Master and all his successors, and rest upon and abide with our fraternity while time shall endure.

Fraternally submitted,

A. T. FREED, Chairman.

W. R. WHITE,

E. T. MALONE,

B. ALLEN,

JOHN E. HARDING, Committee.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson. seconded by M. W. Bro. A. T. Freed, and

Resolved, That the report of the Special Committee on the Grand Master's address be received and adopted.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

The following brethren were nominated by representatives of lodges and Past Masters of the respective districts and were confirmed by the M. W., the Grand Master.

- R.W.Bro. Wm. N. Gatfield, Sandwich, Erie District No. 1.
- “ Thomas Paul, Wyoming, St. Clair District No. 2.
- “ Alfred E. Roberts., Dutton, London District No. 3.
- “ Rev James Abery, Granton, South Huron District No.4
- “ Geo. S. Fowler, Teeswater, North Huron District No. 5
- “ Henry McQueen, Tillsonburg, Wilson District No. 6.
- “ Wm. H. Day, Guelph, Wellington District No. 7.
- “ Chas. S. Kilgour, Hamilton, Hamilton District No. 8.
- “ Robt. J. Sprott, Barrie, Georgian District No. 9.
- “ Chris H. Taylor, Owen Sound, Georgian District 9A.
- “ George H. Brown, Chippawa, Niagara District No. 10.
- “ John Stephens, Toronto, Toronto West District No. 11
- “ Albert B. Crosby, Toronto, Toronto E. District No.11A
- “ John J. Moore, Brooklin, Ontario District No. 12.

- R.W.Bro. James McC. Potts, Stirling, Prince Edward District No. 13.
 “ Robt. J. Gardiner, Kingston, Frontenac District No. 14
 “ Gordon R. Putnam, Merrickville, St. Lawrence District No. 15.
 “ Milo H. Steele, Carleton Place, Ottawa District No. 16
 “ John T. Hollinshead, Port Arthur, Algoma District No. 17.
 “ Wm. J. Thompson, Sault Ste. Marie, Nipissing District No. 18.
 “ Donald M. Grant, Huntsville, Muskoka District No. 19
 “ Bernard W. Squire, Norwood, Otonabee District No. 20
 “ Geo. A. Bradley, Alexandria, Eastern District No. 21.

M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, G. M., installed and invested the newly-elected District Deputy Grand Masters (with the exception of R. W. Bros. Rev. James Abery., D. D. G. M. elect of South Huron District No. 4 and John T. Hollinshead, the D. D. G. M. elect of Algoma District No. 17, and they were duly proclaimed and saluted with Grand Honours. The retiring D. D. G. Ms. of Districts Nos. 4 and 17 were authorized and instructed to install and invest their successors at the earliest convenient date.

CALLED OFF.

Grand Lodge was called from labour at one o'clock p.m., to meet again at 2.30 o'clock p.m.

CALLED ON

Grand Lodge resumed labour at three o'clock p.m.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

R. W. Bro. Griffith R. Lloyd, Chairman, on behalf of the Scrutineers of the ballot, presented the following report of the names of the brethren elected to the several offices and to the Board of General Purposes.

- M.W.Bro. Wm. David McPherson, Toronto, Grand Master.
 R.W.Bro. Sidney A. Luke, Ottawa, Deputy Grand Master.
 R.W.Bro. Herbert W. Wilson, Ottawa, Grand Senior Warden.
 R.W.Bro. John Boyd, Toronto, Grand Junior Warden.
 R.W.Bro. Rev. Donald Stewart, Alexandria, Grand Chaplain.
 M.W.Bro. E. T. Malone, Toronto, Grand Treasurer.
 R.W.Bro. R. L. Gunn, Hamilton, Grand Secretary.
 R.W.Bro. Ogle Carss, Smith's Falls, Grand Registrar.

and by open vote of Grand Lodge;

W.Bro. S. J. Vanderburg, Niagara Falls, Grand Tyler.

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

- R.W.Bro. Frederick Guest, St. Thomas.
 “ Alex. Cowan, Barrie.
 “ W. J. Drope, Grimsby.
 “ W. H. Wardrope, Hamilton.
 “ Geo. S. May, Ottawa.
 “ Frederick Cook, Ottawa, for one year.

Subsequently the M. W., the Grand Master was pleased to announce the following appointments on the Board for the ensuing term of two years.

- R.W.Bro. W. N. Ponton, Belleville.
 “ A. Shaw, Kingston.
 “ J. A. Macfadden, Toronto.
 “ Geo. Naylor, Ingersoll.
 V.W.Bro. R. F. Richardson, Strathroy.

NEXT PLACE OF MEETING

The city of Niagara Falls, Ontario, was chosen as the meeting place of the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge.

M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, Grand Master, assisted by M. W. Bros. E. T. Malone, D. F. Macwatt, W. R. White, J. E. Harding and A. T. Freed, invested the newly elected officers, who were proclaimed and saluted with the customary Grand Honors.

APPOINTED OFFICERS

The M. W., the Grand Master was pleased to announce the following appointments to office for the ensuing year.

- V.W.Bro. Sir Allen Aylesworth, Toronto, Grand Senior Deacon.
 “ Joseph Fowler, Sudbury, Grand Junior Deacon.
 “ Alfred Curran, Toronto, Grand Director of Ceremonies
 “ Harry Sykes, Woodstock, Assistant Grand Secretary.
 “ Hugh S. Wallace, Hamilton, Asst. G. D. of Ceremonies
 “ Wm. J. Bodkin, Florence, Grand Sword Bearer.
 “ David McLaren, Lanark, Grand Organist.
 “ Wm. O'Brien, London, Asst. Grand Organist.
 “ Thomas Cousins, Maple, Grand Supt. of Works.
 “ John McIntosh, Belleville, Grand Pursuivant.

GRAND STEWARDS

- V.W.Bro. John P. Wright, Fort Frances.
 “ Peter Duncanson, Dutton.
 “ John Ritchie, Wingham.
 “ Manuel S. Kellor, Midland.
 “ Joshua A. Swan, Beeton.

V.W.Bro. Robt. Nugent, Lindsay.
 " Rich. Craig, Smith's Falls.
 " J. D. Livingston, Forest.
 " Chas. Sanders, Exeter.
 " Rich. T. Tindale, Arthur.
 " Frank Scott, Port Dalhousie.
 " A. Oldfield, Powassan,

GRAND STANDARD BEARERS

" Vincent B. Coleman, Port Hope.
 " John J. Calder, Lancaster.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by R. W. Bro. A. J. Young, and

Resolved, That the sum of \$500.00 be appropriated to procure a testimonial to M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, the retiring Grand Master, for the able and energetic manner in which he has presided over Grand Lodge for the past two years, and that the M. W., the Grand Master be requested to appoint a committee to select and present the same.

The M. W., the Grand Master was pleased to appoint M. W. Bros. B. Allen (Chairman), and E. T. Malone and R. W. Bro. R. L. Gunn as a committee to select and present the testimonial.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. F. Guest, seconded by M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, and

Resolved, That the thanks of Grand Lodge are due and are hereby tendered to the brethren of Ottawa for the excellent accommodation provided and kindly attentions shown to the members during this annual communication.

It was moved by M. W. Bro. A. T. Freed, seconded by M. W. Bro. J. E. Harding, and

Resolved, That the thanks of Grand Lodge are due and are hereby tendered to the Committee on Credentials and the Scrutineers of the Ballot, for the valuable services rendered by them at this annual communication.

INSTRUCTION OF D. D. G. Ms.

The M. W., the Grand Master announced that M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone would instruct the newly installed District Deputy Grand Masters in the secret work, and in the duties of their office generally.

The Grand Chaplain then invoked the blessing of the Most High upon the members of Grand Lodge during the coming recess.

GRAND LODGE CLOSED.

The business of Grand Lodge being ended, it was closed at four o'clock p.m.



R. G. G. G.

Grand Secretary.

RETURNS OF LODGES AS AT JUNE 24, 1913

Also Receipts From Lodges for the Year Ended

Lodges marked (a) hold their Installation of Officers on or near the Festival

No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where Held	Night of Meeting	W. Master	Secretary
2	aNiagara	Niagara	W on or b. f. m.	R. W. Allen	J. H. Brown
3	aAuct. St. John's	Kingston	1st. Thursday	P. H. Burke	A. W. Cathcart
5	aSussex	Brockville	3rd. Monday	Geo. A. Harrison	Geo. K. Dewey
6	aBarton	Hamilton	2nd. Wednesday	D. A. McIlroy	W. H. F. Whatel
7	aUnion	Grimsby	Thu. on or b. f. m.	G. B. McConachie	A. E. Phipps
9	aUnion	Napanee	Fri. on or b. f. m.	J. B. Allison	W. J. Shannon
10	aNorfolk	Simcoe	Tue. on or b. f. m.	A. H. Paulin	R. E. Gunton
11	aMoira	Belleville	W on or b. f. m.	L. B. Cooper	John Newton
14	aTrue Britons	Perth	1st. Monday	F. A. Girdwood	F. V. Buffam
15	aSt. George's	St. Catharines	Tue. on or b. f. m.	W. P. Holmes	A. N. Lindsay
16	aSt. Andrew's	Toronto	2nd. Tuesday	Jas. R. Bulmer	J. D. Keachie
17	aSt. John's	Cobourg	Tue. on or b. f. m.	Spurgeon Troop.	Robt. Buck
18	aPrince Edward	Picton	Thu. on or b. f. m.	Clar. Mallory	R. H. Hubbs
20	aSt. John's	London	2nd. Tuesday	F. B. Gidley	J. O. Weldon
21	aSt. John's	Vankleek Hill	Tue. on or b. f. m.	H. J. Howes	J. L. Mitcher
22	aKing Solomon's	Toronto	2nd. Thursday	R. A. Woodley	A. J. Prest
23	aRichmond	Richmond Hill	Mon. on or b. f. m.	G. B. Padget	H. A. Nicholls
24	aSt. Francis	Smith's Falls	Fri. on or b. f. m.	F. L. McCrumm	G. W. Fluker
25	aIonic	Toronto	1st. Tuesday	F. C. Hood	W. B. Milliker
26	aOntario	Port Hope	3rd. Friday	Wm. G. Brown	W. J. Roberts
27	aStrict Observance	Hamilton	3rd. Friday	Wm. Field	Wm. C. Mort
28	aMt. Zion	Kemptville	Fri. bef. F. M.	J. E. Burchill	S. H. Guest
29	aUnited	Brighton	Tue. on or b. f. m.	W. H. Russell	B. C. H. Becl
30	aComposite	Whitby	1st. Thursday	A. E. Christian	C. F. McGilliv
31	aJerusalem	Bowmanville	W on or b. f. m.	Wm. C. King	J. S. Moore
32	aAmity	Dunnville	Wed. on or a. f. m.	O. E. Wilson	W. D. Patters
33	aMaitland	Goderich	2nd. Tuesday	H. C. Dunlop	John Straiton
34	aBistle	Amherstburg	Tue. on or b. f. m.	F. L. Lovegrove	S. C. Laitner
35	aSt. John's	Cayuga	Thu. on or a. f. m.	Fred Gowing	J. W. Shepp
37	aKing Hiram	Ingersoll	1st. Friday	Rev R J M Perkins	Geo. Navlor
38	aTrent	Trenton	Tues. bef. F. M.	G. A. Hoag	W. J. Potts
39	aMt. Zion	Brooklin	Tue. on or b. f. m.	Wm. Brash	John J. Moor
40	aSt. John's	Hamilton	3rd. Thursday	W. A. Smith	W. J. McAllis
41	aSt. George's	Kingsville	Thu. on or b. f. m.	Robt. Healey	Geo. S. Good
42	aSt. George's	London	1st. Thursday	J. T. Parkinson	A. Ellis
43	aKing Solomon's	Woodstock	1st. Thursday	Bertram Blair	A. McGachie
44	aSt. Thomas	St. Thomas	1st. Thursday	J. H. Tanner	F. W. Judd
45	aBrant	Brantford	2nd. Tuesday	E. R. Read	Geo. Whitwill
46	aWellington	Chatham	1st. Monday	A. A. Hicks	Alex. Gregory
47	aGreat Western	Windsor	Thu. on or b. f. m.	W. G. Wells	John Fry
48	aMadoc	Madoc	Tue. on or b. f. m.	S. Eagleson	L. F. Morrice
50	aConsecon	Consecon	Fri. on or b. f. m.	John MacDonald	Chas. Carter
52	aDalhousie	Ottawa	1st. Tuesday	H. C. Ellis	H. W. Jacks
54	aVaughan	Maple	Tue. on or b. f. m.	F. W. Rontley	W. O. McDon
55	aMerrickville	Merrickville	Tue. on or b. f. m.	Jas. H. Kidd	G. R. Putnam
56	aVictoria	Sarnia	1st. Tuesday	A. B. Johnston	F. C. Watson
57	aHarmony	Binbrook	W on or b. f. m.	Juo. H. Glover	E. J. Whitwo
58	aDoric	Ottawa	1st. Friday	J. M. Hurcomb	A. G. Greenf
61	aAcacia	Hamilton	2nd. Friday	G. E. McLachlan	C. E. Kelly
62	aSt. Andrew's	Caledonia	W on or b. f. m.	John Renwick	John Thomp
63	aSt. John's	Carleton Place	2nd. Wednesday	J. W. Patterson	A. T. Hudson
64	aKilwinning	London	3rd. Friday	T. H. Baker	R. W. Glover
65	aReboam	Toronto	1st. Thursday	T. J. D. Dewar	Geo. H. Mitc
66	aDurham	Newcastle	Tue. on or b. f. m.	F. C. Hoar	J. M. Parker
68	aSt. John's	Ingersoll	3rd. Friday	F. P. Leake	L. H. Thomp
69	aStirling	Stirling	Thurs. aft. F. M.	Wm. H. Cooke	G. W. Bailey
72	aAlma	Galt	Last Tuesday	A. M. Smith	A. J. Oliver

AND LAST RETURNS RECEIVED

31st May, 1913, and Ledger Balances at That Date.

of St. John the Evangelist, all others on or near that of St. John the Baptist.

No. of Lodge	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Joined	With- drawn	Deaths	Suspen- d. N. P. D.	Suspen- d. U. M. C.	Expelled	Restored	Total Members	Last Returns	Year ending May 31, 1913		
													Paid Grand Lodge	Ledger*	
														Cr. Bal.	Dr Bal.
2	2	3	2	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	98	June 1913	61 75		
2	18	17	17	2	1	1	1	...	...	...	224	"	150 00		
5	11	9	4	4	3	3	2	...	...	3	282	"	191 30	4 50	
6	22	13	11	17	8	7	4	...	...	...	442	"	370 50	3 00	
7	12	10	16	5	...	1	...	...	...	...	151	"	116 25	10 00	
9	19	20	16	3	7	4	2	...	...	3	151	"	112 75	3 75	
10	3	4	4	1	...	...	3	...	...	...	136	"	75 00		25
11	19	20	20	2	9	4	4	...	...	3	296	"	246 75	3 00	
14	6	8	7	...	...	2	...	...	...	1	136	Dec. 1912	47 50	85 50	
15	15	12	10	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	134	June 1913	104 60		50
16	30	28	27	6	2	10	...	...	...	...	447	"	354 50		
17	6	4	3	2	4	2	...	...	...	1	136	"	47 25		
18	4	2	3	4	4	3	3	...	...	...	238	"	141 50		
20	13	18	15	2	3	7	4	...	...	2	299	Dec. 1912	169 25		3 75
21a	5	4	4	...	4	2	3	...	...	1	71	June 1913	43 50	2 00	
22	19	13	14	3	1	2	6	...	...	1	327	"	230 00	3 00	
23	5	5	5	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	58	"	34 50	3 00	
24	15	18	19	1	2	1	...	...	...	2	172	"	158 50	2 25	
25	7	5	1	4	6	6	2	...	...	...	290	"	119 50		
26	6	6	7	3	2	4	...	...	...	1	156	"	108 25		
27	17	13	10	5	1	9	...	...	...	1	422	"	243 25		
28	7	6	5	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	79	"	68 75		
29	5	8	6	4	1	...	4	...	...	...	115	"	52 75	34 50	
30	6	6	1	1	3	2	...	...	...	1	70	"	48 50		
31	11	4	9	...	2	1	...	...	...	1	129	"	88 00	1 50	
32	8	9	12	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	143	Dec. 1912	96 50	25	
33	5	7	8	4	2	2	5	...	...	...	165	June 1913	109 25		
34	12	9	8	...	3	1	1	...	...	...	121	"	79 75	2 50	
35	3	2	3	...	3	2	...	...	...	...	83	"	55 50		
37	3	3	4	2	6	2	4	...	...	2	142	"	95 00		
38	18	10	11	1	...	1	6	...	...	...	141	"	99 25		
39	3	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	59	Dec. 1912	39 25		
40	34	23	22	3	2	10	9	...	...	2	501	June 1913	318 75		
41	15	9	10	...	...	1	3	...	...	...	135	"	117 25		
42	3	5	6	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	171	"	111 00		1 50
43	20	26	22	3	6	...	8	...	...	...	278	"	271 50		
44	20	23	25	5	3	3	3	...	...	2	356	"	244 25	1 00	
45	19	21	18	4	5	4	1	...	...	3	322	"	233 85	4 00	
46	21	16	16	4	11	8	...	...	...	1	237	"	158 60		
47	52	43	35	11	1	4	17	...	...	3	509	"	364 60	14 50	
48	7	9	10	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	130	"	92 50	3 00	
50	2	1	1	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	61	"	43 50		
52	19	19	19	1	5	6	4	...	...	3	329	"	211 75		
54	4	2	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	46	"	27 75		
55	4	5	5	...	1	...	...	...	...	2	87	"	66 50		6 00
56	15	11	10	4	4	3	...	...	...	...	239	"	147 75	3 00	
57	11	10	9	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	85	"	74 75	3 00	
58	9	7	6	3	2	1	3	...	...	1	199	"	124 50	1 00	
61	23	31	30	13	2	5	8	...	...	2	488	"	351 50	3 00	
62	4	4	6	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	81	"	56 25		
63	13	10	10	1	1	3	...	...	...	...	182	"	152 05	2 75	
64	16	14	11	3	7	4	2	...	...	2	238	"	151 00	4 00	
65	16	14	12	1	6	2	7	1	...	1	454	"	270 50	3 00	
66	4	2	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	61	"	23 50	1 00	
68	2	2	2	...	2	2	...	...	...	1	104	"	62 75		
69	17	10	9	...	2	3	...	...	...	1	102	"	79 50		
72	5	7	6	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	175	"	121 50	2 20	

RETURNS OF LODGES AT JUNE 24, 1913.

No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where Held	Night of Meeting	W. Master	Secretary
73	aSt. James	St. Marys	1st. Monday	W. J. Atkinson ..	A. Willard
74	aSt. James	S. Augusta	Mon. nearest f.m.	Horace Glazier ..	L. E. Sheppard ..
75	St. John's	Toronto	1st. Monday	O. F. Dodge ..	A. A. Daniel ..
76	aOxford	Woodstock	2nd. Monday	H. A. Karn	J. W. Dutton ..
77	aFaithful Brethren	Lindsay	1st. Friday	Frank Webster ..	R. G. Cornell ..
78	aKing Hiram	Tillsonburg	W on or b. f. m.	Wm. E. Wilcox ..	Hy. McQueen ..
79	aSimcoe	Bradford	Tue. on or b.f.m.	Geo. Ogilvie	Frank Kilkenn ..
81	aSt. John's	Mt. Brydges	Tue. on or b.f.m.	Wm. Young ..	Thos. C. West ..
82	St. John's	Paris	2nd. Tuesday	L. A. LaPierre ..	P. Buckley ..
83	aBeaver	Strathroy	Fri. aft. F. M. A. P.	Gundry ..	R. F. Richardso ..
84	aClinton	Clinton	Fri. on or a.f.m.	H. E. Rorke ..	H. B. Chant ..
85	aRising Sun	Athens	Thu. on or b.f.m.	Wm. J. Hamblin ..	A. W. Parish ..
86	aWilson	Toronto	3rd. Tuesday	W. A. MacLaren ..	John B. Mill ..
87	Markham Union ..	Markham	Fri. on or b.f.m.	C. F. Todds ..	Jas. Malcolm ..
88	St. George's	Owen Sound	W on or b. f. m.	J. W. Brownlee ..	J. M. Campbe ..
90	aManito	Collingwood	Wed. on or a.f.m.	J. F. Zimmerman ..	W. T. Herrington ..
91	aCarborne	Colborne	Fri. on or b.f.m.	G. M. Peebles ..	H. S. Keyes ..
92	aCataquai	Kingston	2nd. Friday	C. J. Warwick ..	Robt. Hendry ..
93	aNorthern Light ..	Kincardine	1st. Wednesday ..	Wm. J. Morrison ..	M. J. McPherso ..
94	aSt. Mark's	Port Stanley	2nd. Tuesday	L. D. Lloyd ..	Wm. Jackson ..
96	aCorinthian	Barrie	1st. Thursday	John Little ..	Alfred Wilkes ..
97	aSharon	Queensville	Tue. on or b.f.m.	Wm. A. Ewing ..	Jas. M. Milne ..
98	True Blue	Bolton	Fri. on or a.f.m.	H. W. Shoemaker ..	Geo. A. Norton ..
99	aTuscan	Newmarket	2nd. Wednesday ..	J. D. Collie	W. H. Helmer ..
100	Valley	Dundas	2nd. Monday	W. A. McPherson ..	F. A. Latshaw ..
101	aCorinthian	Peterborough	3rd. Friday	T. H. Gillespie ..	John F. Allen ..
103	aMaple Leaf	St. Catharines ..	Last Thursday ..	A. E. Jackson ..	H. J. Johnston ..
104	St. John's	Norwich	Wed. on or a.f.m.	N. C. MacWhirter ..	G. W. Polden ..
105	aSt. Mark's	Niagara Falls S.	2nd. Tuesday	G. R. Inglis ..	C. J. Didenus ..
106	aBurford	Burford	W on or b. f. m.	Wm. Crawford ..	Geo. Armstrong ..
107	St. Paul's	Lambeth	W on or b. f. m.	J. W. Meriam ..	H. Poole ..
108	Blenheim	Princepton	Fri. on or a.f.m.	D. M. Sutherland ..	F. J. Daniel ..
109	aAlbion	Harrowsmith	Fri. on or b.f.m.	R. B. Gilbert ..	J. T. McKim ..
110	aCentral	Prescott	1st. Tuesday	Matt. McGuire ..	J. F. Graham ..
113	aWilson	Waterford	W on or b. f. m.	D. A. Hill ..	R. D. Gibson ..
114	aHope	Port Hope	1st. Friday	W. F. Embleton ..	Thos. H. Bell ..
115	aVvy	Beamsville	Tue. on or b.f.m.	L. B. Tufford ..	F. J. Franklin ..
116	aCassia	Thedford	Mon. on or b.f.m.	Robt. G. Dallas ..	Geo. Sutherland ..
118	Union	Schomberg	Mon. on or b.f.m.	J. A. Armstrong ..	H. H. Coffey ..
119	aMaple Leaf	Bath	Mon. bef. F. M. H.	S. Northmore ..	F. W. Armstrong ..
120	Warren	Fingal	Tue. on or b.f.m.	E. Earnshaw ..	H. D. Brush ..
121	aDoric	Brantford	3rd. Friday	W. D. Wiley ..	Jas. C. Spence ..
122	aRenfrew	Renfrew	1st. Monday	Hugh Macdonald ..	M. McKinnon ..
123	aBelleville	Belleville	1st. Thursday	John Canning ..	David Barragall ..
125	aCornwall	Cornwall	1st. Wednesday ..	H. B. Fetterly ..	John Ridley ..
126	aGolden Rule	Campbellford	Tue. on or b.f.m.	C. H. Harris ..	Wesley Stephen ..
127	aFrank	Frankford	Mon. bef. F. M. W.	F. Elliott ..	F. R. Mallory ..
128	aPembroke	Pembroke	1st. Thursday	J. R. Robinson ..	J. P. Mullar ..
129	Rising Sun	Aurora	1st. Friday	A. E. Hancock ..	Fred Baldwin ..
131	aSt. Lawrence	Southampton	Tue. on or a.f.m.	Geo. McAulay ..	F. Goodier ..
133	aLebanon Forest ..	Exeter	Mon. on or b.f.m.	R. G. Seldon ..	R. N. Creech ..
135	aSt. Clair	Milton	Thu. on or b.f.m.	Benj. Gollop ..	J. W. Crozier ..
136	Richardson	Stouffville	Thu. on or b.f.m.	A. C. Burkholder ..	E. S. Barker ..
137	aPythagoras	Meaford	Fri. nearest f.m.	W. H. Sing ..	F. A. Clark ..
139	Lebanon	Oshawa	2nd. Tuesday	H. A. Saunders ..	W. E. N. Sinclair ..
140	aMalabide	Aylmer	W on or b. f. m.	F. L. Wagner ..	J. R. Woods ..
141	aTudor	Mitchell	Tue. on or b.f.m.	J. A. Macdonald ..	Jas. A. Myers ..
142	aExcelsior	Morrisburg	Fri. on or b.f.m.	W. C. Davy ..	B. A. Herring ..
143	aFriendly Bros.	Iroquois	W on or b. f. m.	Chas. A. Strader ..	S. W. Wood ..
144	aTecumseh	Stratford	3rd. Friday	F. J. R. Forster ..	F. S. Smith ..
145	aJ. B. Hall	Millbrook	Thu. on or b.f.m.	T. A. Campbell ..	Chas. Thorndy ..
146	aPrince of Wales ..	Newburgh	Wed. bef. f.m.	L. E. Wilson ..	J. M. Ramsay ..

AND LAST RETURNS RECEIVED—Continued.

Lodge	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Joined	With- drawn	Deaths	Suspend- ed, N. P. D.	Suspend- ed, M. C.	Expelled	Expelled	Total Members	Last Returns	Year ending May 31, 1913		
													Paid Grand Lodge	Ledger	
														Cr. Bal.	Dr. Bal.
73	15	12	10	2	1	1	3				106	June 1913	70 00		
74	3	3	3								85	"	68 00		50
75	12	13	14	3		1	2			4	307	"	168 25	2 00	
76	18	21	18	5		2	4				229	"	152 75	3 25	
77	24	21	20	1	1	2	7			2	244	"	231 75	3 00	
78	8	8	5	4	3	2					178	"	122 50		
79	7	6	4			1				1	81	"	58 25		
81					1						90	"	51 50		
82	9	8	5	1	1	1	2				104	"	77 75	1 00	
83	6	3	4	2	2	1	1				128	Dec. 1912	89 50	3 00	
84	3	3	5		4	3	2			1	83	June 1913	58 00		
85	8	9	6	1	3	2	1				75	"	61 00	1 00	
86	17	17	13	1	1	1	4			1	363	"	225 75	5 00	
87	11	7	5	4	3	2					39	"	70 00	2 00	
88	11	13	14	2			4				187	"	114 50		
90											137	June 1911	2 00		
91	3	2	4		1	1				1	99	Dec. 1912	75 75		
92	36	32	20	5	2	4	5			1	247	June 1913	207 75		
93	7	6	2		4	6				1	111	"	74 00		
94	1				4	1				2	63	"	31 75		
96	14	16	9	5				1			229	"	142 25		50
97	6	5	3	1			4				75	"	61 00		25
98	2	2	3		1						58	Dec. 1912	35 75		
99	2	2	1	1	1						72	June 1913	35 50		
100	13	12	13	7							188	"	149 25		
101	6	6	7	1	2	4	5			1	173	"	111 50		25
103	9	5	5	6	1	4					218	"	159 00		
104	1	6	5		3		1				103	"	75 00		
105	16	15	14				1				166	"	138 25		
106	3	1	1		2						71	"	36 00		50
107	10	2	3	1			1				76	"	78 00		
108	3	4	3	1	2	1					49	"	33 50		
109	3	2	3	2	2	1				2	77	"	66 25		1 00
110	12	12	12	2	3	2					137	"	122 50	1 75	
113	3	4	4		1						146	"	89 75		
114	4	5	7								168	"	127 25	25	
115	5	5	8	4	4	1					130	"	82 00	1 50	
116	6	3	4	3							46	"	51 75		
118	8	5	2								66	"	30 00		2 00
119	9	5	5		3						72	"	46 75		
120	1	1			1						53	"	16 25	3 00	
121	21	31	35	5	7	5	10				498	"	376 75		
122	4	3	3		2	3	4				126	"	79 50		
123	29	31	28	1		1	1				264	"	217 00		
124	5	7	5	6	1	1	2				126	"	73 25		
125	6	1	5	3		1	1				86	Dec. 1912	67 50	1 00	
126	11	9	13	1	2					1	115	June 1913	102 00		
127	13	14	14	3	1	4				1	174	"	140 25	50	
128	3	2	3	3							92	"	42 25		
129	1	2	4	4	1	1				1	78	"	57 55	25	
130	3	4	3	1	3	2	1				105	"	54 25	1 00	
131	5	10	7	3		1				1	119	"	86 15	20	
132				1							58	"	31 50		
133	5	2	1		3	1	7				116	"	106 25		
134	3	4									135	Dec. 1912	97 25		
135	9	8	6	2				1			127	June 1913	82 75	50	
136	1	2	4	5	4	5					66	"	39 50		
137	2	5	7	2	3		2			1	70	"	67 00		
138	6	8	7		2		2				98	"	51 25	3 00	
139	9	12	9	8	8	4	5			2	251	"	221 25	7 00	
140	8	4	3	1		1					65	"	45 50		
141	6	5	6	2							74	"	43 50	3 25	

RETURNS OF LODGES AT JUNE 24, 1913,

No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where Held	Night of Meeting	W. Master	Secretary
147	Mississippi	Almonte	1st. Friday	John Aspinall	W. S. Boyd
148	Civil Service	Ottawa	2nd. Tuesday	Samuel Short	J. F. Davey
149	Erie	Port Dover	Mon. on or b.f.m.	C. W. Barwell	T. C. Henderson
151	Grand River	Berlin	2nd. Tuesday	G. D. Richmond	L. Norman
153	Burns	Wyoming	Thu. on or b.f.m.	J. D. Paul	Wm. Culbert
154	Irving	Lucan	Thu. on or b.f.m.	S. W. Gibson	C. K. Haskett
155	Peterborough	Peterborough	1st. Friday	W. R. G. Higgins	W. H. Walkey
156	York	Toronto	3rd. Friday	John Cook	A. H. Army
157	Simpson	Newboro'	Tue. on or b.f.m.	John E. Dier	Jos. H. Butler
158	Alexandra	Oil Springs	Thu. on or a.f.m.	J. A. Clements	J. W. Sauvey
159	Goodwood	Richmond	Tue. on or b.f.m.	W. G. Beddoe	S. W. Bradley
161	Percy	Warkworth	Wed. bef. f. m.	G. I. Black	P. S. Ewing
162	Forest	Wroxeter	Mon. on or b.f.m.	D. D. Sanderson	Gavin Davidson
164	Star in the E.	Wellington	Tue. on or b.f.m.	L. G. Dorland	H. D. Cleminson
165	Burlington	Burlington	W on or b. f. m.	E. W. Williamson	Jas. S. Allen
166	Awentworth	Stoney Creek	Mon. on or b.f.m.	A. E. Wilcox	R. H. Dewar
168	Merritt	Welland	Mon. on or b.f.m.	J. W. Julian	H. E. Dawdy
169	Macnab	Port Colborne	Tue. on or b.f.m.	D. M. Burt	J. R. Tuck
170	Britannia	Seaforth	1st. Monday	K. M. McLean	L. C. Jackson
171	Prince of Wales	Lawrence Sta.	Fri. on or b.f.m.	D. D. Crawford	John C. Dundas
172	Ayr	Ayr	2nd. Monday	David Reid	R. L. Anderson
174	Walsingham	Port Rowan	Thu. on or b.f.m.	Frank Foster	James Ryan
177	The Builders	Ottawa	2nd. Friday	D. A. Whitton	H. H. Cairns
178	Plattsville	Plattsville	Fri. on or b.f.m.	Alex. Calder	W. R. Henderson
180	Speed	Guelph	1st. Tuesday	B. C. Dawson	W. G. Stephenson
181	Oriental	Port Barwell	Tue. on or b.f.m.	S. J. McClelland	G. Y. Emery
184	Old Light	Lucknow	Thu. on or b.f.m.	Thos. Pritchard	W. A. Wilson
185	Enniskillen	York	Mon. on or b.f.m.	Albert Emerson	F. W. Brown
186	Plantagenet	Plantagenet	Mon. on or b.f.m.	Wm. Franklin	G. A. Ryan
190	Belmont	Belmont	Fri. on or b.f.m.	John W. Laidlaw	John F. Turner
192	Orillia	Orillia	1st. Friday	W. W. McBain	G. A. Cole
193	Scotland	Scotland	Mon. on or b.f.m.	N. E. Lawrence	J. A. Messecar
194	Petrolia	Petrolia	2nd. Wednesday	R. T. Browning	Thos. Bicknell
195	Tuscan	London	1st. Monday	G. N. Weekes	J. E. Magee
196	Madawaska	Arnprior	2nd. Monday	J. C. Williams	Hy. Newham
197	Saugeen	Walkerton	2nd. Tuesday	Chas. Stephens	R. H. McKay
200	St. Alban's	Mt. Forest	Fri. on or b.f.m.	T. E. Speirs	M. O. McGregor
201	Leeds	Gananoque	Tue. on or b.f.m.	R. J. Webster	A. B. Munro
203	Irvine	Elora	3rd. Friday	R. E. Mills	Henry Clarke
205	New Dominion	New Hamburg	Mon. on or a.f.m.	H. A. Frnst	S. G. Halley
207	Lancaster	Lancaster	Tue. on or b.f.m.	H. A. Craig	W. N. McGillis
209aa	St. John's	London	1st. Friday	T. P. Elliott	J. E. Keenleyside
209	Evergreen	Lanark	1st. Tuesday	B. A. C. Caldwell	C. M. Forbes
212	Elysian	Garden Island	1st. Monday	John Kennedy	Rolfe Mullin
215	Lake	Ameliasburg	Mon. on or b.f.m.	C. G. Sprague	Jas. E. Glenn
216	Harris	Orangeville	Tue. on or b.f.m.	J. B. Adamson	A. E. Annis
217	Frederick	Delhi	Mon. on or b.f.m.	H. J. Morris	T. E. Morgan
218	Stevenson	Toronto	2nd. Monday	W. B. Campbell	H. Cornell
219	Credit	Georgetown	Fri. on or b.f.m.	R. R. Nickell	W. N. McKay
220	Zeredatha	Uxbridge	Mon. on or b.f.m.	R. A. Hutchison	V. M. Hare
221	Mountain	Thorold	W on or b. f. m.	John Herod	S. G. Gartley
222	Marmora	Marmora	Mon. on or b.f.m.	E. M. Gladnev	C. A. Bleecker
223	Norwood	Norwood	Mon. on or b.f.m.	Geo. H. Nichol	J. G. Keefer
224	Zurich	Hensall	Mon. on or b.f.m.	John Robertson	Jas. Bonthron
225	Bernard	Listowel	Fri. on or b.f.m.	R. A. Thompson	J. J. Foster
228	Prince Arthur	Odessa	Mon. on or b.f.m.	P. A. Snider	Robt. Bennett
229	Alonic	Brampton	3rd. Tuesday	W. J. Lowe	W. H. McFadden
230	Kerr	Barrie	3rd. Friday	W. N. Duff	R. W. Andrew
231	Lodge of Fidelity	Ottawa	3rd. Tuesday	C. B. Patten	W. A. Halliday
232	Cameron	Dutton	W on or b. f. m.	P. A. Duncanson	Arch. McCallum
233	Doric	Parkhill	Tue. on or b.f.m.	John Chisholm	Geo. A. Fraser
234	Beaver	Clarksburg	Tue. on or b.f.m.	Jas. A. Burke	Chas. Pye

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													Paid Grand Lodge	Ledger	
														Cr. Bal.	Dr. Bal.
147	1	2	2	...	3	1	2	93	June 1913	55 25		
148	18	14	19	2	6	3	210	"	161 00		
149	7	7	7	4	3	1	1	...	...	1	81	"	79 75	8 75	
151	12	11	10	3	7	2	8	...	...	2	206	"	137 80		50
153	3	3	1	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	111	"	73 50		2 25
154	4	3	3	1	2	2	...	...	...	...	87	"	64 00	7 70	
155	8	5	5	2	4	3	3	...	...	1	253	"	148 00		
156	22	20	14	6	4	6	4	...	...	...	225	"	162 50	1 00	
157	4	4	5	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	74	"	50 25		
158	2	1	1	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	74	Dec. 1912	73 25		
159	11	10	6	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	102	June 1913	73 75		
161	1	1	2	2	1	...	...	...	...	1	84	"	51 75		
162	3	3	3	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	48	"	30 00	1 70	
164	2	2	3	2	1	2	...	...	...	...	136	"	79 75		1 25
165	6	10	12	2	3	1	5	...	...	...	148	"	114 50		
166	10	10	6	4	1	3	...	...	...	...	148	"	79 25		
168	8	5	3	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	132	"	69 00		25
169	8	11	9	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	98	"	100 50		3 25
170	7	7	6	...	5	...	1	...	...	1	109	"	63 75	1 00	
171	3	3	2	...	1	...	2	...	...	1	43	"	68 75	1 00	
172	1	1	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	41	"	34 75		
174	7	9	6	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	79	"	63 00		
177	20	24	20	3	...	5	...	...	...	...	271	"	146 75	83 75	
178	10	9	9	...	...	2	2	...	...	...	48	"	66 25		
180	16	15	14	1	1	2	1	...	...	...	127	"	99 75		
181	6	6	4	...	3	...	...	...	...	2	39	"	29 75		
184	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	...	...	...	110	"	58 75	75	
185	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	28	Dec. 1912	22 50	4 50	
186	2	3	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	63	June 1913	67 35		
190	6	7	9	...	3	2	...	...	...	...	80	"	64 75	2 50	
192	14	12	17	3	2	4	...	...	...	...	228	"	157 75	5 25	
193	10	10	11	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	84	"	54 25	2 75	
194	18	18	15	1	...	2	2	...	...	...	126	"	105 00		
195	8	7	6	1	1	1	...	...	...	1	120	"	102 25	3 00	
196	3	5	6	1	10	1	4	...	...	...	102	"	80 50		
197	2	3	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	76	"	41 50		
200	9	5	9	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	81	"	54 25	5 00	
201	4	7	15	...	1	6	...	...	...	1	181	"	154 20	40	
203	7	3	...	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	93	"	62 25		
205	2	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	40	"	20 75		2 00
207	7	5	6	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	115	"	90 25	1 75	
209a	34	28	29	7	...	...	...	...	...	1	377	"	242 50	2 00	
209	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	42	Dec. 1912	21 50		
212	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	1	17	June 1913	9 25		
215	3	2	3	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	75	"	55 25		
216	12	11	11	2	4	1	12	...	...	...	164	"	225 00	2 50	
217	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	61	Dec. 1912	40 00	74 00	
218	15	15	13	3	1	2	...	...	...	...	259	June 1913	143 75		
219	9	5	5	1	2	1	5	...	...	...	100	"	68 50		
220	3	7	9	...	...	2	5	...	...	2	87	"	49 50		
221	7	7	8	1	...	4	...	...	...	...	147	"	97 80		
222	15	12	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	94	"	80 00		
223	3	1	...	...	2	1	7	...	...	...	88	"	71 75		
224	2	1	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	80	"	47 00		
225	6	5	5	...	4	2	...	...	...	1	105	"	60 50	1 00	
228	7	5	6	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	64	"	63 00	1 00	
229	10	10	8	2	1	2	...	...	...	...	131	"	96 25		
230	30	27	26	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	164	"	184 50	3 00	
231	14	12	11	3	...	5	...	...	...	1	253	"	148 50		
232	10	8	5	3	3	1	...	...	...	2	79	"	22 05	27 75	
233	2	3	3	...	5	2	...	...	...	...	61	"	46 75		4 50
234	4	4	4	3	2	1	2	...	...	1	85	"	44 50		

RETURNS OF LODGES AT JUNE 24, 1913

No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where Held	Night of Meeting	W. Master	Secretary
235	Aldworth	Paisley	Fri. on or b.f.m.	F. C. Ryan	H. B. Putnam
236	aManitoba	Cookstown	Tues. bef. F. M.	W. N. Knowles	W. G. Mackay
237	Vienna	Vienna	Fri. on or b.f.m.	Geo. Vallee	S. S. Clutton
238	Havelock	Watford	Tues. bef. F. M.	H. K. Laird	Samuel Rivers
239	Tweed	Tweed	Fri. on or b.f.m.	H. A. Monck	W. W. Garrett
242	aMacey	Mallorytown	Mon. on or b.f.m.	L. H. Fisher	F. H. Mallory
243	aSt. George	St. George	Thu. on or b.f.m.	J. J. Greenfield	Jos. H. Burke
245	aTecumseh	Thamesville	Mon. on or b.f.m.	E. H. Mills	Robt. Pye
247	aAshlar	Toronto	4th Tuesday	Geo. M. Hendry	W. H. Best
249	aCaledonian	Midland	Mon. on or b.f.m.	T. A. Sharpe	Alex. W. Bell
250	Thistle	Embro	Thu. on or b.f.m.	A. G. C. Munro	Columbus Ross
253	aMinden	Kingston	1st. Tuesday	Wm. Pillar	T. D. Minnes
254	Clifton	Niagara Falls	1st. Thursday	Chas. Sanders	S. D. Warren
255	Sydenham	Dresden	2nd. Thursday	R. W. Black	H. J. French
256	aFarran's Point	Aultsville	W on or b. f. m.	F. T. Shaver	R. H. Hanes
257	aGalt	Galt	1st. Tuesday	Ed. C. Codling	Robt. Clark
258	Guelph	Guelph	2nd. Tuesday	Ed. Abbey	Jas. Ryder
259	Springfield	Springfield	Mon. on or b.f.m.	E. O. Awde	M. M. Black
260	aWashington	Petrolia	1st. Wednesday	L. Collier	B. Dunlop
261	aOak Branch	Innerkip	Thu. on or b.f.m.	J. H. Whiteside	R. Q. Irving
262	aHarriston	Harriston	2nd. Monday	H. J. Hucks	E. W. Lambert
263	aForest	Forest	W on or b. f. m.	Chas. E. Janes	P. W. Campbell
264	aChaudiere	Ottawa	4th Tuesday	Thos. H. Hoare	Thos. Saunders
265	Patterson	Thornhill	Thu. on or b.f.m.	I. Vanderburg	A. Thompson
266	aNorthern Light	Stayner	Tue. on or b.f.m.	J. K. Woodwork	J. W. Bethune
267	Parthenon	hatham	1st. Wednesday	A. W. Merrill	E. G. Martin
268	aVerulam	Bobcaygeon	Fri. on or b.f.m.	Rev. W G. Smith	E. J. Broad
269	aBrougham Union	Claremont	W on or b. f. m.	Rev. W R. Wood	Rev. J. A. Gran
270	aCedar	Oshawa	4th Tuesday	John Gibson	E. W. Drew
271	Wellington	Erin	Thu. on or b.f.m.	J. W. Flett	J. D. Leitch
272	Seymour	Ancester	Tue. on or b.f.m.	C. W. Moffat	John Pickard
274	aKent	Blenheim	Mon. on or b.f.m.	W. J. Holmes	Jno. Crookshan
276	aTeeswater	Teeswater	4th Thursday	W. W. Johnston	T. S. Reid
277	aSeymour	Port Dalhousie	W on or b. f. m.	Geo. Elliott	John Green
279	aNew Hope	Hespeler	W on or b. f. m.	J. E. Sault	John Jardine
282	Lorne	Glencoe	Thu. on or b.f.m.	F. Huston	J. Y. McLachla
283	aEureka	Belleville	Wed. aft. f. m.	C. J. Symons	W. J. Diamond
284	St. John's	Brussels	Tue. on or b.f.m.	R. A. McDonald	Samuel Wilton
285	Seven Star	Alliston	W on or b. f. m.	R. Murphy	W. J. Asaph
286	Wingham	Wingham	1st. Tuesday	E. A. Hammond	J. A. Morton
287	aShuniah	Port Arthur	1st. Tuesday	M. A. Thompson	Geo. G. Milne
289	aDoric	Lobo	Thu. on or b.f.m.	D. H. Sells	P. L. Graham
290	aLeamington	Leamington	Tue. on or b.f.m.	B. W. Cox	C. A. Edsall
291	aDufferin	W. Flamboro	Thu. on or b.f.m.	S. J. Plastow	Alfred Jones
292	aRobertson	King	Mon. on or b.f.m.	John Egan	Arch. McCallum
294	aMoore	Courtright	Thu. on or b.f.m.	A. W. Kelly	R. G. Stewart
295	aConestogo	Drayton	1st. Tuesday	Geo. H. Awde	Calvert Scarr
296	aTemple	St. Catharines	Last Wednesday	C. E. Patey	C. A. Brown
297	Preston	Preston	Fri. or or b.f.m.	Jos. A. King	Geo. W. Jupp
299	Victoria	Centreville	Thu. on or b.f.m.	S. H. Ruttan	A. M. Bell
300	aMt. Olivet	Thorndale	Tue. on or b.f.m.	J. M. Carrother	Edwin McLeod
302	St. David's	St. Thomas	3rd. Thursday	T. C. Malloy	J. C. Spencer
303	aBlyth	Blyth	Tue. on or a.f.m.	A. W. Beacom	J. M. Hamilton
304	aMinerva	Stroud	Tue. on or b.f.m.	G. C. Allan	Jas. Black
305	Humber	Weston	4th Friday	N. J. McEwen	W. J. Gardhouse
306	Durham	Durham	2nd. Tuesday	E. Hilderbrand	J. F. Grant
307	aArkona	Arkona	Thu. on or b.f.m.	Philip Austin	A. M. Thoman
309	aMorning Star	Carlow	W on or b. f. m.	B. C. Winn	John Varcoe
311	aBlackwood	Woodbridge	Fri. on or b.f.m.	W. S. Belfry	W. B. Brown
312	aPnyx	Wallaceburg	Mon. on or b.f.m.	T. B. Dundas	E. E. Parker

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													Paid Grand Lodge	Ledger	
														Cr. Bal.	Dr. Bal.
235	12	13	10	1	4	2					81	June 1913	107 75	3 00	
236	6	6	7	1			2			1	78	"	53 25		
237	10	8	6	1	2						62	"	41 25		
238	1	1	1		2						71	Dec. 1912	37 75	3 00	
239	8	8	8		4	1				1	126	June 1913	103 25	2 50	
242	3	3	12	2	2						93	"	61 50		
243	3	5	3			3	5				73	"	46 25		
245	5	5	5								72	"	46 50		
247	24	22	19	4	5	3				1	399	"	223 50		
249	9	13	16	4	1					1	193	"	157 00	8 50	
250	2	2	1		2	1				1	36	"	20 00		
253	15	18	16	1	1	2	1				157	"	135 75	2 00	
254	8	7	7	2	1						217	"	144 00		
255	8	6	4		2		6			1	82	"	118 25	34 00	
256	7	1	1	2	1		1			2	91	"	45 75		
257	7	4	3		1	1	6				202	"	125 75		
258	7	8	12		1	2					131	"	89 00	1 25	
259	11	8	4							1	73	"	67 00		2 25
260	12	12	8	2	1	1	2				134	"	82 75	1 00	
261	2	2	1		1	1					38	Dec. 1912	32 00		25
262	3	3	3	1	1	2	1				96	June 1913	56 25	2 50	
263	2	2	2	2		1	4			1	82	"	59 75		
264	18	21	18	2	4	1					247	"	164 50		
265	5	4	2								72	"	81 50	3 00	
266	2	4	2		3	2	3				38	"	31 50	4 20	
267	17	14	12	1	7	4	2			1	236	"	153 75	3 50	
268	4	4	1				2				67	Dec. 1912	46 00		
269	4	4	3		1	1					67	June 1913	43 00		5 00
270	4	4	3	2	1	2	7				118	"	92 00		
271	2	3	2		1	1				2	65	"	49 00		2 95
272	4	5	5	1	1						132	"	82 75	3 00	
274	4	3	5			2					124	Dec. 1912	92 00		
276	8	7	5	1	1					1	42	June 1913	43 00	3 00	
277	6	6	4				1			1	70	"	49 25		
279	7	4	6								97	"	65 75	2 00	
282	7	6	6		4	1	6			1	78	"	74 75		
283	23	27	27	1	3		1				146	"	190 00		
284	10	9	9		3		1				93	"	59 75	1 00	
285	1	4	4		2		2			1	85	"	63 75		
286	3	1	5	1	4						100	"	87 75		
287	22	26	34	11	4					5	329	"	203 35	4 00	
289	7	10	10	2	1					3	67	"	51 00		25
290	11	11	14	3							153	"	104 30	6 00	
291	6	6	6		3	2				2	101	"	71 25		
292							3				42	"	25 00		1 00
294	4	4	6		1						61	"	49 75		
295	6	4	2			3					71	"	37 75		
296	10	8	12		1	2				1	115	"	83 50	3 00	
297	2	3	3		4		10				65	"	50 75	3 00	
299	4	4	4			3					51	"	39 00	75	
300	3	1	3	1	1						60	June 1913	69 55		
302	42	43	37	6	3	8	6			7	298	"	247 75	3 00	
303	10	9	7	1		4					70	June 1913	1 00	75	
304	6	3	3		1	1	5				87	"	50 50		
305	14	3	2	6	1	1	1			1	108	"	84 70		
306		2	1					1			61	"	35 75		
307	4	5	4		2						44	"	36 75		
309						1					51	Dec. 1912	35 75		
311	4	5	5		1	1	4				63	June 1913	45 50		
312	13	13	13	6	1	1	4				111	"	87 25		

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No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where Held	Night of Meeting	W. Master	Secretary
313	aClementi	Lakefield	1st. Tuesday	O. A. Langley	A. E. Kennedy
314	aBlair	Palmerston	Fri. aft. F. M. H. E. McEwing	H. B. Coleman	
315	Clifford	Clifford	3rd. Monday	Wm. Graef	S. M. Richardson
316	aDoric	Toronto	3rd. Thursday	J. B. Sutherland	A. D. Goodall
318	Wilnot	Baden	Fri. on or a.f.m. Allen Bechtel	Walter Waugh	
319	aHiram	Hagersville	Thu. on or b.f.m. Geo. S. Dusty	C. S. Graham	
320	aChesterville	Chesterville	Mon. on or b.f.m. Ed. Gillard	Rev. S. W. Woods	
321	aWalker	Aetna	Mon. on or b.f.m. John Wood	R. M. McDonald	
322	aNorth Star	Owen Sound	Wed. aft. F. M. D. R. Dobie	A. A. Parks	
323	aAlvinston	Alvinston	W on or b. f. m. H. H. Middleton	W. E. Germain	
324	aTemple	Hamilton	2nd. Tuesday	Hanlon Robinson	Thos. Pedler
325	Orono	Orono	Thu. on or b.f.m. H. H. Reid	Thos. Smith	
326	aZetland	Toronto	4th Friday	M. McGregor	J. H. Macabe
327	Hammond	Wardsville	Tue. on or b.f.m. W. A. Connolly	H. A. Wilson	
328	Ionic	Napier	Fri. on or b.f.m. W. T. F. Buchanan	W. L. Toohill	
329	aKing Solomon	Jarvis	Fri. on or b.f.m. Wm. J. Robinson	Thos. J. Hicks	
330	aCorinthian	London	1st. Tuesday	C. H. Peacock	H. C. Simpson
331	Fordwich	Fordwich	Thu. on or b.f.m. T. H. Gibson	A. C. Hutchinson	
332	Stratford	Stratford	2nd. Monday	H. W. Baker	H. H. Dempsey
333	Prince Arthur	Flesherton	Fri. on or b.f.m. Herbert Smith	E. H. Munshaw	
334	aPrince Arthur	Arthur	Tue. on or b.f.m. H. R. Fair	Peter Greig	
336	aHighgate	Highgate	Fri. on or b.f.m. Edwin Beattie	J. W. Ward	
337	aMyrtle	Port Robinson	Tue. on or b.f.m. John Huffa sr.	Wm. Grisdale	
338	Dufferin	Wellandport	Tue. on or b.f.m. W. J. Goodwin	J. R. Goring	
339	aOrient	Toronto	1st. Tuesday	J. A. C. Stewart	F. H. Anderson
341	aBruce	Tiverton	Tue. on or b.f.m. L. McKinnon	D. A. McLaren	
343	Georgina	Toronto	1st. Saturday	W. R. Madill	Geo. Thompson
344	Merrill	Dorchester Sta.	Thu. on or b.f.m. J. W. Young	Chas. A. Hunt	
345	Nilestown	Nilestown	Tue. on or b.f.m. Geo. F. Poat	A. W. Palmer	
346	aOccident	Toronto	3rd. Wednesday	R. B. Magill	C. C. Wightman
347	aMercer	Fergus	1st. Friday	H. Ham	J. V. Watkins
348	aGeorgian	Penetanguishene	1st. Thursday	W. J. W. Wigg	H. Hewson
352	aGranite	Parry Sound	3rd. Wednesday	G. T. Molyneaux	J. H. Knifton
354	Brook	Cannington	W on or b. f. m. J. A. Parliament	Jos. A. Kift	
356	aRiver Park	Streetsville	Tue. on or b.f.m. O. R. Church	W. F. B. Switzer	
357	Waterdown	Millgrove	Tue. on or b.f.m. Kenn'h Cummins	R. Flatt	
358	aDelaware Valley	Delaware	Fri. on or b.f.m. Alex. Colvin	J. W. Fonger	
359	aVittoria	Vittoria	Fri. on or b.f.m. J. W. Chadwick	John Pow	
360	aMuskoka	Bracebridge	1st. Tuesday	Fred Morris	F. P. Warne
361	aWaverley	Guelph	4th Monday	R. W. Wade	W. Simpson
362	aManie Leaf	Tara	Mon. on or b.f.m. J. F. Mutrie	H. Monkman	
364	aDufferin	Melbourne	W on or b. f. m. Neil Campbell	J. M. Cornell	
367	aSt. George	Toronto	1st. Friday	W. A. Spence	R. C. Gallaher
368	aSalem	Brockville	2nd. Monday	W. J. Reynolds	E. A. Geiger
369	aMimico	Lambton Mills	Tue. on or b.f.m. P. H. Brown	Jas. T. Phillips	
370	aHarmony	Belta	W on or b. f. m. C. W. Webster	H. E. Johnson	
371	aPrince of Wales	Ottawa	4th Friday	D. K. McIntosh	R. A. de Olloqui
372	aPalmer	Bridgeburg	1st. Tuesday	Rev. A. C. Mac-	
				kintosh	J. A. North
373	aCopestone	Welland	1st. Thursday	H. O. Lovejoy	Thos. Main
374	aKeene	Keene	Thu. on or b.f.m. Jas. McNeill	A. D. Anderson	
375	aLorne	Omamee	1st. Thursday	John Lowery	W. J. Thorn
376	Unity	Huntsville	2nd. Wednesday	Thos. Howard	D. M. Grant
377	aLorne	Shelburne	1st. Friday	Jas. Cassie	J. R. Berwick
378	aKing Solomon	London	2nd. Thursday	F. G. Copp	Wm. Nichol
379	aMiddlesex	Bryanston	Wed. on or b.f.m. Thos. Smibert	Alex. Grant	
390	aUnion	London	2nd. Monday	Andrew Flowers	Jos. Ward
382	Doric	Hamilton	3rd. Monday	Wm. H. Stewart	C. V. Emory
383	aHenderson	Winchester	Fri. bef. F. M. G. H. McKeown	B. F. Smith	
384	aAlpha	Toronto	1st. Thursday	S. H. Bradford	E. J. Voss

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													Paid Grand Lodge	Ledger	
														Cr. Bal.	Dr Bal.
313	2	2	2	...	1	100	June 1913	65 70
314	4	3	4	10	1	...	3	97	"	35 10	1 50	...
315	2	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	67	"	21 00	...	...
316	3	7	8	2	8	1	6	...	...	...	405	"	236 75	3 00	...
318	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	28	"	14 00	...	...
319	8	7	12	1	3	...	...	...	...	1	97	"	74 50	...	...
320	8	7	5	3	1	2	...	...	...	4	97	"	64 25	...	...
321	4	4	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	72	"	54 75	...	...
322	6	3	3	2	3	1	9	...	...	...	190	"	100 50	...	...
323	6	6	5	...	3	...	...	...	...	1	69	"	47 50	...	1 00
324	18	23	25	6	2	8	...	...	...	2	407	"	247 25	4 00	...
325	1	3	3	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	51	"	31 50	...	...
326	20	22	21	4	4	3	2	...	...	...	585	"	279 25	3 00	...
327	3	5	5	...	2	1	1	...	...	...	28	"	39 20	6 00	...
328	5	4	3	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	48	"	35 75	...	...
329	7	6	4	1	3	1	...	1	...	...	68	"	52 50	...	...
330	15	12	13	...	3	...	...	...	...	2	206	"	161 25	...	...
331	11	10	6	2	2	...	...	...	...	3	58	"	46 60	1 50	...
332	15	13	11	1	6	4	...	...	...	...	177	Dec. 1912	200 00	...	...
333	2	2	2	3	2	...	1	...	...	...	61	June 1913	41 50	...	...
334	4	3	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	62	"	52 50	1 50	...
336	2	1	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	1	51	"	64 50	...	...
337	6	5	5	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	56	"	41 50	...	...
338	5	5	4	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	78	"	91 10	...	...
339	30	21	13	5	3	3	7	...	...	1	354	"	227 25	...	...
341	1	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	65	Dec. 1912	46 75	1 25	...
343	30	25	25	11	5	3	3	...	...	...	368	June 1913	239 00	4 50	...
344	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	49	"	24 85	...	...
345	1	1	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	59	"	27 75	...	25
346	30	33	32	9	...	3	7	...	...	3	362	"	271 50	...	...
347	5	5	4	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	74	"	51 25	3 00	...
348	8	6	7	...	...	1	...	...	...	3	96	"	76 50	...	1 00
352	21	17	14	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	153	"	118 75	...	...
354	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	1	65	"	35 75	...	...
356	11	11	10	...	1	2	2	...	...	...	69	"	61 00	...	1 00
357	12	9	11	...	2	2	3	...	...	...	129	"	103 20	...	...
358	5	4	4	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	67	"	...	45 00	...
359	1	...	...	1	...	...	2	...	...	1	56	"	33 25	...	...
360	3	4	5	1	1	2	...	...	...	...	85	"	52 00	...	...
361	21	20	17	6	3	2	...	...	...	...	198	Dec. 1912	252 00	4 00	...
362	6	8	8	2	2	1	...	...	...	...	61	June 1913	39 35	...	25
364	4	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	61	Dec. 1912	62 00	77 25	...
367	12	20	25	4	2	2	1	...	...	...	405	June 1913	283 25	...	...
368	11	13	13	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	197	"	117 25	...	...
369	3	5	4	2	5	1	...	...	...	1	118	"	76 00	1 00	...
370	4	3	3	1	1	2	7	...	...	...	70	"	58 00	...	...
371	25	26	27	4	2	4	...	...	...	1	182	"	150 75	...	...
372	8	9	8	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	111	"	84 00	...	...
373	14	13	14	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	133	"	121 00	...	...
374	2	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	35	"	25 75	...	...
375	6	6	11	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	55	"	40 25	...	25
376	6	5	5	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	118	"	70 75	1 00	...
377	1	1	1	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	85	"	68 25	...	2 00
378	29	26	14	2	...	2	1	1	...	7	222	"	159 75	...	12 25
379	1	...	1	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	43	"	31 25	...	50
380	20	16	16	1	1	4	5	...	...	...	259	"	222 10	3 00	...
382	17	14	11	6	2	3	2	...	...	1	391	"	259 00	1 50	...
383	1	1	2	1	6	1	...	...	...	...	96	Dec. 1912	62 00	...	2 00
384	28	27	29	3	8	2	8	...	...	6	458	June 1913	319 25	...	...

RETURNS OF LODGES AT JUNE 24, 1913,

No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where Held	Night of Meeting	W. Master	Secretary
385	aSpry	Beeton	Mon. on or b.f.m.	Ed. C. Bell	W. O'C. Ahern
386	aMcColl	West Lorne	Tue. on or b.f.m.	W. T. Merritt	J. M. Kelly
387	aLansdowne	Lansdowne	Thu. on or b.f.m.	Thos. Isbister	E. R. Bradley
388	aHenderson	Ilderton	Mon. on or b.f.m.	J. L. Robson	J. H. Robson
389	aCrystal Fountain	N. Augusta	Wed. on or b.f.m.	J. B. Checkley	G. W. Chapman
390	aFlorence	Florence	Fri. on or b.f.m.	Chas. E. Bodkin	Wm. J. Drew
391	aHoward	Ridgetown	Mon. on or b.f.m.	P. B. Robertson	U. M. Mitton
392	aHuron	Camlachie	Wed. on or b.f.m.	W. E. Symington	A. Trusler
393	aForest	Chesley	Tue. on or b.f.m.	Wm. Bendict	J. J. Neelin
394	aKing Solomon	Thamesford	Wed. on or b.f.m.	W. H. Dunlop	W. W. Day
395	aParvaim	Comber	Fri. on or b.f.m.	J. W. Brown	D. McDougall
396	aCedar	Warton	Tue. on or b.f.m.	S. B. Cameron	W. M. Newman
397	aLeopold	Brigden	Wed. on or b.f.m.	E. E. Vail	Duncan Warren
398	aVictoria	Kirkfield	Fri. on or b.f.m.	Wm. Jobe	E. Mosgrove
399	aMoffat	Harrietsville	Wed. on or b.f.m.	Wm. Faulds	S. E. Facey
400	aOakville	Oakville	1st. Tuesday	W. B. Shipley	R. A. Pye
401	aCraig	Deseronto	1st. Tuesday	W. J. Alexander	R. H. Irvine
402	aCentral	Essex	Wed. on or b.f.m.	H. A. Bowie	F. B. Geddes
403	aWindsor	Windsor	1st. Friday	Andrew Lynch	A. N. Pettit
404	aLorne	Tamworth	Fri. bef. F. M.	W. R. Thomas	J. Aylsworth
405	aMattawa	Mattawa	1st. Tuesday	J. D. Christie	J. D. McDonald
406	aSpry	Penelon Falls	Wed. on or b.f.m.	F. W. Warren	C. W. Burgoyne
				Rev. J. McK. Mc-	
408	aMurray	Beaverton	Tue. on or b.f.m.	Lennan	P. E. Byrne
409	aGolden Rule	Gravenhurst	2nd. Monday	H. Ditchborn	J. C. Davidson
410	aZeta	Toronto	4th Friday	Thos. E. Cuffe	A. E. Faulds
411	aRodney	Rodney	Wed. on or b.f.m.	H. G. Townsend	J. B. Stinson
412	aKeystone	Sault Ste. Marie	1st. Tuesday	G. H. Hayward	E. I. Scott
413	aNaphtali	Tibury	Tue. on or b.f.m.	H. E. Edgewcombe	H. Callwood
414	aPequonga	Kenora	1st. Wednesday	J. L. Palmer	H. O. Holden
415	aFort William	Fort William	2nd. Wednesday	C. S. Read	C. E. Coombes
416	aLyn	Lyn	Tue. on or b.f.m.	Maurice Brown	W. C. Lavery
417	aKeewatin	Keewatin	1st. Friday	J. J. House	A. J. Holmes
418	aMaxville	Maxville	2nd. Friday	Rev. J. T. Daley	C. T. Smith
419	aBismarck	Sarnia	2nd. Monday	A. B. Walsh	D. Burgess
420	aNipissing	North Bay	2nd. Monday	F. A. York	Harry Thorpe
421	aScott	Grand Valley	Mon. on or b.f.m.	Jas. J. Reith	W. L. Craig
422	aStar of the East	Bothwell	Wed. on or b.f.m.	Edward Lee	John H. McLeod
423	aStrong	Sundridge	3rd. Monday	W. A. McFadden	A. A. Anderson
424	aDoric	Pickering	Thu. on or b.f.m.	T. M. McFadden	John Gormley
425	aSt. Clair	Sombra	Tue. on or b.f.m.	N. B. Roach	J. W. Burnham
426	aStanley	Toronto	1st. Tuesday	C. H. Sherwin	Wm. Harris
427	aNickel	Sudbury	1st. Wednesday	W. W. Stull	Jos. Fowler
428	aFidelity	Port Perry	Fri. on or b.f.m.	E. H. Purdy	J. W. Crozier
429	aPort Elgin	Port Elgin	Thu. on or b.f.m.	R. C. Crawford	J. W. Dougherty
430	aAcacia	Toronto	3rd. Monday	A. M. Heron	H. G. French
431	aMoravian	Cargill	Fri. on or a.f.m.	Chas. Clark	Wm. Wade
432	aHanover	Hanover	Fri. on or b.f.m.	John Mills	Geo. A. Rozel
433	aBonnehochere	Eganville	2nd. Monday	L. A. McMillan	Jas. Reeves
434	aAlgonquin	Emsdale	Tue. on or a.f.m.	Walter R. Jones	Jas. H. Metcalfe
435	aHavelock	Havelock	Fri. on or b.f.m.	Ward Patterson	Harrison Wing
436	aBurns	Hopworth	Tue. on or a.f.m.	Frank Campbell	J. E. Campbell
437	aTuscan	Sarnia	3rd. Wednesday	E. T. Bates	W. J. Barrie
438	aHarmony	Toronto	4th Monday	W. F. Elliott	W. T. Martin
439	aAlexandria	Alexandria	1st. Tuesday	Rev. D. Stewart	H. L. Cheney
440	aArcadia	Minden	Fri. on or b.f.m.	John H. Graham	Rev. J. M. Whyte
441	aWestport	Westport	1st. Friday	J. C. McCulloch	J. R. Gorrell
442	aDymont	Thessalon	Thu. on or b.f.m.	A. A. Burk	W. W. Thompson
443	aPowassan	Powassan	2nd. Friday	L. G. Phillips	D. C. Bingham
444	aNitetis	Creemore	Mon. on or a.f.m.	John T. Pearn	J. R. Lawrence

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No. of Lodge	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Joined	With- drawn	Deaths	Suspend- ed N. P. D.	Suspend- ed U. M. C.	Expelled	Restored	Total Members	Last Returns	Year ending May 31, 1913		
													Paid Grand Lodge	Ledger	
														Cr. Bal.	Dr Bal.
385	6	4	5			3					81	June 1913	55 75	1 00	
386	2	2	2								93	"	52 50		
387	4	3	4			1				1	56	"	30 50		
388	3	4	4				5				45	"	44 75		1 25
389	6	5	4	1							51	Dec. 1912	39 00		
390	1	1	2	1		2	1	1			44	June 1913	42 75		
391	6	3	2			2	1	4		5	102	"	77 50		4 75
392	1	1	1			1					66	"	36 50		
393	9	7	6	1							62	"	46 25		
394	2	2	3			1	1				86	"	72 00		
395	1	2	4			4					56	"	37 25		
396	4	3	3	1		1				131	131	"	80 25	1 00	
397	8	7	2			5		1		1	56	"	56 25		
398	5	4	3			1	1				37	"	33 00	25	
399	5	5	5								52	"	32 75		
400	3	3	7	1		2	1	2			149	"	107 75		
401	3	3	2			4	1				97	"	32 50		
402	5	6	6			4					78	"	66 75		
403	31	28	30	4		7	3	1			358	"	273 00	7 00	
404	1	2	4			2					70	"	49 00		
405	8	7	8			4	3				111	"	67 25	1 50	
406	2	4	3			1		2			74	"	58 20		
408	2	2	2			1					54	"	75 00	16 50	
409	3	4	2			1	3				92	"	54 50	3 00	
410	27	27	29	1		2	1	5		1	325	"	248 25	4 00	
411	1	2				1	1			2	52	"	32 00		
412	11	7	9	11		1		1			343	"	251 55	6 00	
413	1	1				2					89	"	55 50	3 00	
414	9	11	12			4	4	5		3	168	"	103 75	4 00	
415	25	20	19	2		4				2	237	Dec 1912	197 75		
416						1					42	June 1913	21 50		25
417	6	4	3	3							87	"	65 25		
418	12	7	8			3					84	"	62 50	1 00	
419	5	3	3	2		1	1			1	68	"	42 25		
420	15	10	8	3							237	"	156 75	6 25	
421	8	5	2	1		2		1			91	"	54 25	1 50	
422	7	8	7			1		1			60	"	61 25		
423	7	7	6			5				1	73	"	47 25	25	
424	4	3	4	1		1	2	1		1	49	"	30 50		
425	5	2	1	1		1	4	1			85	"	43 25	30	
426	25	28	34			3	2	10		1	336	"	231 00	6 25	
427	22	19	22			2	1				209	"	167 75	2 75	
428	7	4	3	2		2	2				126	"	72 50		
429	5	5	4			2	2	2		2	57	"	18 75	4 50	
430	17	14	14	2		3	2	3			172	"	118 00	2 00	
431	4	3	4	1						1	47	"	36 25		
432	4	2	2	2		1					63	"	42 00	1 50	
433	8	6	4			3	1	9		2	58	"	30 80	14 00	
434	10	6	4			2	1				92	"	76 50		
435	19	18	14			1					121	"	106 50	1 00	
436	2	1	1								35	"	8 25	11 25	
437	20	22	13	2		3					207	"	178 80	1 00	
438	33	30	24	2		6	2			1	417	"	289 25	2 50	
439	1	1	1			4	1				66	"	45 00		
440	3	6						2	1		64	"	55 50		50
441	5	4	2			2					58	"	75 75		
442	2	5	2			1	1				102	Dec. 1912	86 50		
443	4	4	6			3	1	4			75	June 1913	65 75	1 00	
444	6	6	4			6	1				76	"	67 50	1 25	

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No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where Held	Night of Meeting	W. Master	Secretary
445	aLake of the Woods	Kenora	2nd. Wednesday	J. A. Kinney	H. A. C. Machin
446	aGranite	Fort Francis	1st. Tuesday	Wm. Floyd	F. H. Huffman
447	aSturgeon Falls	Sturgeon Falls	2nd. Monday	Jos. M. Wilson	W. C. Parliament
448	aXenophon	Wheatley	Thu. on or b.f.m.	Jas D. Macgregor	D. G. Scott
449	aDundalk	Dundalk	Mon. on or b.f.m.	Wm. Wilson	A. E. Colgan
450	aHawkesbury	Hawkesbury	Thurs. bef f.m.	E. C. Lighthall	J. W. Holby
451	aSomerville	Kinmount	Thu. on or b.f.m.	C. W. Wellstood	E. A. Wellstood
452	aAvonmore	Avonmore	Tue. on or b.f.m.	A. A. McMillan	S. Shaver
453	aRoyal	Fort William	1st. Wednesday	E. H. North	F. C. Perry
454	aCorona	Burk's Falls	1st. Monday	G. H. Silvester	J. W. Harris
455	aDoric	Little Curent	2nd. Tuesday	G. R. Stevenson	O. L. Petch
456	aElma	Monkton	Thu. on or b.f.m.	F. A. Rouenberg	A. Chalmers
457	aCentury	Merlin	Wed. on or b.f.m.	W. W. Marshall	C. A. Smith
458	aWales	Wales	Mon. on or b.f.m.	Robt. Vallance	F. Warren
459	aCobden	Cobden	2nd. Tuesday	J. F. Moffat	A. S. McLaren
460	aRideau	Seeley's Bay	Thu. on or b.f.m.	C. C. Gilbert	Henry Willis
461	aIonic	Rainy River	1st. Thursday	R. W. Taylor	D. K. McGregor
462	aTemiscaming	New Liskeard	3rd. Thursday	W. McKnight	E. Monaghan
463	aNorth Entrance	Haliburton	4th Friday	E. Y. Spurr	H. H. Clark
464	aKing Edward	Sunderland	Fri. on or b.f.m.	A. T. H. Switzer	R. A. Purvis
465	aCarleton	Carp	Fri. on or b.f.m.	Howard Graham	Geo. A. Moore
466	aCoronation	Elmvale	1st. Friday	W. J. McGuire	J. J. Foster
467	aTottenham	Tottenham	Mon. on or a.f.m.	John Dillane	F. W. Abbot
468	aPeel	Caledon East	Fri. on or b.f.m.	R. J. Nelson	J. W. Phillips
469	aAlgoma	Sault Ste. Marie	2nd. Monday	R. G. Campbell	R. D. Gillespie
470	aVictoria	Victoria Harbor	Wed. on or b.f.m.	E. B. Brown	T. B. Underdown
471	aKing Edward VII	Chippawa	1st. Wednesday	Andrew Gray	J. G. James
472	aGore Bay	Gore Bay	1st. Wednesday	U. Vanderburg	C. C. Platt
473	aThe Beaches	Toronto	2nd. Friday	Horace Hardy	S. J. Manchester
474	aVictoria	Toronto	3rd. Tuesday	L. O. Horner	W. E. Birrell
475	aDundurn	Hamilton	3rd. Saturday	M. C. Thompson	G. H. Lanigan
476	aCorinthian	North Gower	Fri. on or b.f.m.	H. G. Blair	J. H. Crderman
477	aHarding	Woodville	Fri. on or b.f.m.	A. W. Granger	A. E. Staback
478	aMilverton	Milverton	Mon. on or b.f.m.	J. G. Hamilton	W. J. Zoeger
479	aRussell	Russell	Mon. on or b.f.m.	N. E. Ronan	W. H. Lowrie
480	aWilliamsburg	Williamsburg	Thu. on or b.f.m.	Oscar Becksted	J. A. Barkley
481	aCorinthian	Toronto	4th Monday	R. B. Mackinnon	D. W. Jones
482	aBaneroff	Baneroff	Fri. on or b.f.m.	Geo. L. Jarman	J. A. Eby
483	aGranton	Granton	Mon. on or b.f.m.	Chas. C. Powers	Chas. A. Lang
484	aGolden Star	Dryden	2nd. Tuesday	C. B. Gordon	J. E. Cole
485	aHaileybury	Haileybury	1st. Thursday	D. John	W. J. Attie
486	aSilver	Cobalt	Mon. on or b.f.m.	D. W. McLeod	R. H. Hutchison
487	aPenewobikong	Blind River	2nd. Monday	M. F. Dyke	FGW Brathwaite
488	aKing Edward	Harrow	Tue. on or b.f.m.	H. O. Pearce	G. E. Johnston
489	aOsiris	Smith's Falls	Fri. aft. F. M.	R. C. Rose	H. A. Ross
490	aHiram	Markdale	Tue. on or b.f.m.	J. W. Tucker	H. C. Duff
491	aCardinal	Cardinal	2nd. Friday	E J Wormington	Wm. Clark
492	aKarnak	Coldwater	Thu. on or b.f.m.	J. C. Prior	J. C. Wolfraim
493	aSt. Marys	St. Marys	4th Monday	P. T. Coupland	L. J. Constable
494	aRiverdale	Toronto	4th Fri.	W. M. Miskelly	C. R. Sneath
495	aElectric	Hamilton	3rd. Wednesday	A. W. Palmer	W. F. Montague
496	aUniversity	Toronto	4th Thurs.	R. B. O'Reilly	P. W. Rogers
497	aSt. Andrew's	Arden	Tue. on or b.f.m.	H. Loyst	G. M. Kirk
498	aKing George V.	Cobocock	Mon. on or b.f.m.	J. B. Auston	T. C. Birchard
499	aPort Arthur	Port Arthur	2nd. Monday	A. Rome	J. T. Hollinshead
500	aRose	Windsor	3rd. Tuesday	Jas. C. Tolmie	M. P. McMaster
501	aConnaught	Mimico	2nd. Thursday	Geo. Brown	Louis J. West
502	aCoronation	Smithville	Mon. on or b.f.m.	A. G. Boulter	E. D. Armstrong
503	aInwood	Inwood	Mon. on or b.f.m.	N. A. Campbell	W. R. Dawson

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No. of Lodge	Initiated	Passed	Ratified	Joined	With- drawn	Deaths	Suspend- ed, N. P. D.	Suspend- ed, U. M. C.	Expelled	Restored	Total Members	Last Returns	Year ending May 31, 1913		
													Paid Grand Lodge	Ledger	
														Cr. Bal.	Dr. Bal.
445	1	1	1			3		1			49	June 1913	31 50		
446	3	3	2								84	Dec. 1912	59 75		
447	2	3	4	12		3					88	June 1913	50 00		
448	8	3	4	1		1		1			49	"	38 75		
449	2	1		1		1					47	June 1913	32 50		
450	6	8	4			12					65	"	68 00		
451	3	1	1								55	"	29 25		
452	23	24	18				1			2	84	"	89 50	3 00	
453	6	5	8	12		1	2				129	"	48 50		
454	14	11	9			1	1			1	71	"	51 50		
455	4	5	6			1					87	"	63 00	6 25	
456	2	3	4			1					55	"	37 75		
457	1	1	1								36	Dec. 1912	1 00	57 00	
458	4	3				1					86	June 1913	67 25		
459	15	15	15			7	2			1	83	"	86 25		
460	1	1	1				1				67	Dec. 1912	50 00	1 00	
461	5	6	4			1	1				93	"	62 00		
462	24	16	11	1							176	June 1913	134 50		
463											39	"	20 25	1 00	
464											66	Dec. 1912	35 00		
465	7	8	8			3	2				61	June 1913	56 00		
466	5	1	1	3	2			2			69	"	36 25	4 00	
467	4	4	2	1							58	Dec. 1910		16 00	
468	5	4	2	1			1				64	"	72 50	1 50	
469	33	31	24	5	2		4				162	"	165 50	3 00	
470	3	4	5	2			1				96	"	59 75	6 25	
471	2	3	3					1			53	"	42 00	3 00	
472	1	1	2			2	1				67	"	45 70	1 00	
473	23	19	18	4	3						190	"	164 85	5 00	
474	18	13	17	3			1				213	"	146 25		
475	26	25	20	2	4		2				162	"	137 50		
476	5	2	7	5	1		1				60	"	48 25	1 50	
477					1						51	"	26 00		
478	3	6	3	2			2			1	67	"	84 75		
479	12	9	7		1						85	"	76 75		1 00
480	7	6	4		1					1	41	"	46 25		
481	27	22	19	1		1					115	"	104 50		50
482	9	14	13								86	"	71 00	1 00	
483	6	6	3	1	1						45	"	50 75		
484	4	1	2			2	10			1	80	"	46 75		25
485	10	9	10	2	5	2					164	"	137 75		
486	25	22	34	11	6		6				171	"	150 00		
487	5	8	8		1						64	"	52 00		
488	4	4	4							1	60	"	40 00		
489	4	3	6	8	2						77	"	65 25		
490	1	2	6	1		1					34	"	43 00	1 00	
491	8	8	8								54	"	39 50		2 25
492	7	8	8	2	2						55	"	70 75	3 50	
493	7	6	5	2	3	1					59	"	35 50	1 50	
494	27	23	29	3	1		3				208	"	192 25	1 45	
495	34	34	34	5	1						163	"	164 00	4 50	
496	2	2	2	3	5						111	Dec. 1912	107 00	4 00	
497	8	7	5								30	June 1913	20 75	6 00	
498	2	1	2	1							32	Dec. 1912	25 85	5 00	
499	23	21	21	5							104	June 1913	189 25		
500	10	7	3	6							54	"	56 00	4 00	
501	17	13	11								67	"	126 30		
502	6	5	4	9							35	"	67 65	1 50	
503	16	13	8	1							35	"	69 25		

RETURNS OF LODGES AT JUNE 24, 1913.

No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where Held	Night of Meeting	W. Master	Secretary
504	Otter	Lombardy	Tue. on or b.f.m.	Clark Nicholls .	
505	Lynden	Lynden	Wed. on or b.f.m.	John K. Jones .	R. A. Thompson
506	Porcupine	Porcupine	1st. Thursday ..	T. W. Foster ..	R. M. Chapman
507	Elk Lake	Elk Lake	2nd. Friday	A. H. Porter ..	H. C. Harvey ..
508	Ozias	Brantford	2nd. Wednesday	Wm. Bentham ..	F. W. Benedict
509	Twin City	Berlin	4th Friday	Robt. J. Kerr .	E. W. Lamprey
510	Parkdale	Toronto	2nd. Friday	F. H. Hayhurst	Geo. E. Buchanan
UD	Connaught	W. Fort William	3rd. Monday	A. R. Mills	J. B. Hardy ..
UD	Malone	Sutton West	Wed. on or b.f.m.	F. G. Tremayne	O. J. Silver ...
UD	Corinthian	Hamilton	4th Thursday ..	F. H. Nairn ..	J. R. Croft
UD	St. Alban's	Toronto	3rd. Monday	F. W. Harcourt	H. Leeson
UD	Reba	Brantford	2nd. Thursday ..	W R McCormack	
UD	Enterprise	Beachburg	1st. Monday	Albert Munro ..	P. C. Creeggan
UD	Hazeldean	Hazeldean	Wed. on or b.f.m.	J. A. Cummings	

AND LAST RETURNS RECEIVED—Continued.

No. of Lodge	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Joined	With-drawn	Deaths	Suspend. N. P. D.	Suspend. U. M. C.	Expelled	Restored	Total Members	Last Returns	Year ending May 31, 1913		
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504	14	14	12	2							30	June 1913	51 00		
505	20	16	10								39	"	67 00		
506	32	32	7	16	2						59	"	67 00	6 00	
507	25	14	3	1							58	"	57 00		
508	4	4		7							31	"	29 00		
509	4	4									45	"	25 00		
510	13	12									35	"	25 00		
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LIST OF LODGES—BY DISTRICTS

ERIE DISTRICT No. 1 (26).

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. Wm. N. Gatfield, Sandwich.

No. 34, Thistle ....Amherstburg	No. 386, McColl .....West Lorne
" 41, St. George ..Kingsville	" 390, Florence .....Florence
" 46, Wellington ....Chatham	" 391, Howard .....Ridgetown
" 47, Great Western, Windsor	" 395, Parvaim .....Comber
" 245, Tecumseh ..Thamesville	" 402, Central .....Essex
" 255, Sydenham .....Dresden	" 403, Windsor .....Windsor
" 267, Parthenon ....Chatham	" 411, Rodney .....Rodney
" 274, Kent .....Blenheim	" 413, Naphtali, Tilbury Centre
" 282, Lorne .....Glencoe	" 422, Star of the E., Bothwell
" 290, Leamington Leamington	" 448, Xenophen .....Wheatley
" 312, Pnyx .....Wallaceburg	" 457, Century .....Merlin
" 327, Hammond ....Wardsville	" 488, King Edward ..Harrow
" 336, Highgate .....Highgate	" 500, Rose .....Windsor

ST. CLAIR DISTRICT No. 2, (21)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. Thomas Paul, Wyoming.

No. 56, Victoria .....Sarnia	No. 294, Moore .....Courtright
" 81, St. John's ....Mt. Brydges	" 307, Arkona .....Arkona
" 83, Beaver .....Strathroy	" 323, Alvinston .....Alvinston
" 116, Cassia .....Thedford	" 328, Ionic .....Napier
" 153, Burns .....Wyoming	" 364, Dufferin ....Melbourne
" 158, Alexandra ..Oil Springs	" 392, Huron .....Cambridge
" 194, Petrolia .....Petrolia	" 397, Leopold .....Brigden
" 238, Havelock .....Watford	" 419, Bismarck .....Sarnia
" 260, Washington ....Petrolia	" 425, St. Clair .....Sombra
" 263, Forest .....Forest	" 437, Tuscan .....Sarnia
	" 503, Inwood .....Inwood

LONDON DISTRICT No. 3 (26)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. Alfred E. Roberts, Dutton.

No. 20, St. John's .....London	No. 289, Doric .....Lobo
" 42, St. George's ....London	" 300, Mount Olivet, Thorndale
" 44, St. Thomas, St. Thomas	" 302, St. David's, St. Thomas
" 64, Kilwinning ....London	" 330, Corinthian, London East
" 94, St. Mark's, Port Stanley	" 344, Merrill, Dorchester Sta.
" 107, St. Paul's ....Lambeth	" 345, Nilestown ....Nilestown
" 120, Warren .....Fingal	" 358, Delaware Val., Delaware
" 140, Malahide .....Aylmer	" 378, King Solomon ..London
" 171, Prin of Wales, Lawrence	" 379, Middlesex ....Bryanston
" 190, Belmont .....Belmont	" 380, Union .....London
" 195, Tuscan .....London	" 388, Henderson ....Ilderton
" 209a, St John's ....London	" 394, King Solo'n, Thamesford
" 232, Cameron .....Dutton	" 399, Moffat ....Harrietsville

SOUTH HURON DISTRICT No. 4 (19)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. Rev. James Aberly, Granton.

No. 33, Maitland .....Goderich	No. 224, Zurich .....Hensall
" 73, St. James' ....St. Marys	" 233, Doric .....Parkhill
" 84, Clinton .....Clinton	" 303, Blyth .....Blyth
" 133, Lebanon Forest, Exeter	" 309, Morning Star ...Carlow
" 141, Tudor .....Mitchell	" 318, Wilmot .....Baden
" 144, Tecumseh ....Stratford	" 332, Stratford ....Stratford
" 154, Irving .....Lucan	" 456, Elma .....Monkton
" 170, Britannia ....Seaforth	" 478, Milverton ....Milverton
" 205, New Domi'n, N Hamburg	" 483, Granton .....Granton
	" 493, St. Mary's ....St. Marys

NORTH HURON DISTRICT No. 5 (19).

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. Geo. S. Fowler, Teeswater

No. 93.	North. Light Kincardine	No. 331.	Fordwich .....Fordwich
" 131	St. Lawr'ce Southampton	" 341.	Bruce .....Tiverton
" 162.	Forest .....Wroxeter	" 362.	Maple Leaf .....Tara
" 184.	Old Light .....Lucknow	" 393.	Forest .....Chesley
" 197.	Saugeen .....Walkerton	" 396.	Cedar .....Wiarton
" 225.	Bernard .....Listowel	" 429.	Port Elgin ..Port Elgin
" 235.	Aldworth .....Paisley	" 431.	Moravian .....Cargill
" 276.	Teeswater ..Teeswater	" 432.	Hanover .....Hanover
" 284.	St. John's ....Brussels	" 436	Burns .....Hepworth
" 286.	Wingham ....Wingham		

WILSON DISTRICT No. 6 (22)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. Henry McQueen, Tillsonburg

No. 10.	Norfolk .....Simcoe	No. 149.	Erie .....Port Dover
" 37.	King Hiram ..Ingersoll	" 174.	Walsingham Pt. Rowan
" 43.	Kg Solomon's Woodstock	" 178.	Plattsville ..Plattsville
" 68.	St. John's ....Ingersoll	" 181.	Oriental ..Port Burwell
" 76.	Oxford .....Woodstock	" 193.	Scotland .....Scotland
" 78.	King Hiram Tillsonburg	" 217.	Frederick .....Delhi
" 82.	St. John's .....Paris	" 237	Vienna .....Vienna
" 104.	St. John's ....Norwich	" 250.	Thistle .....Embro
" 106.	Burford .....Burford	" 259.	Springfield ..Springfield
" 108.	Blenheim ....Princeton	" 261.	Oak Branch ..Innerkip
" 113.	Wilson .....Waterford	" 359.	Viittoria .....Viittoria

WELLINGTON DISTRICT No. 7 (22)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. Wm. H. Day, Guelph.

No. 72.	Alma .....Galt	No. 279.	New Hope ....Hespeler
" 151.	The Grand River, Berlin	" 295.	Conestogo .....Drayton
" 172.	Ayr .....Ayr	" 297.	Preston .....Preston
" 180.	Speed .....Guelph	" 306.	Durham .....Durham
" 200.	St. Alban's ..Mt. Forest	" 314.	Blair .....Palmerston
" 203.	Irvine .....Elora	" 315.	Clifford .....Clifford
" 216.	Harris .....Orangeville	" 334.	Prince Arthur, ..Arthur
" 257.	Galt .....Galt	" 347.	Mercer .....Fergus
" 258.	Guelph .....Guelph	" 361.	Waverly .....Guelph
" 262	Harriston ....Harriston	" 421.	Scott .....Grand Valley
" 271.	Wellington .....Erin	" 509.	Twin City .....Berlin

HAMILTON DISTRICT No. 8 (27)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. Chas. S. Kilgour, Hamilton

No. 6.	The Barton ..Hamilton	No. 272.	Seymour .....Ancaster
" 27.	Strict Obser. Hamilton	" 291.	Dufferin West Flamboro
" 40.	St John's ....Hamilton	" 321.	Walker ....Acton West
" 45.	Brant .....Brantford	" 324.	Temple .....Hamilton
" 57.	Harmony ....Binbrook	" 357.	Waterdown ..Millgrove
" 61	Acacia .....Hamilton	" 382.	Doric .....Hamilton
" 62.	St. Andrew's Caledonia	" 400.	Oakville .....Oakville
" 100.	Valley .....Dundas	" 475	Dundurn .....Hamilton
" 121.	Doric .....Brantford	" 495.	Electric .....Hamilton
" 135.	St. Clair .....Milton	" 505.	Lynden .....Lynden
" 165.	Burlington, Burlington	" 508.	Ozias .....Brantford
" 166.	Wentworth Stoney Creek	U.D..	Corinthian ....Hamilton
" 219.	Credit .....Georgetown	U.D..	Reba .....Brantford
" 243.	St. George ..St. George		

GEORGIAN DISTRICT No. 9 (14)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. Robt J. Sprott, Barrie.

No. 79.	Simcoe .....Bradford	No. 249.	Caledonian ....Midland
" 90.	Manito ....Collingwood	" 266.	Northern Light Stayner
" 96.	Corinthian .....Barrie	" 304.	Minerva .....Stroud
" 137.	Pythagoras ....Meaford	" 348.	Georgian Penetanguish'e
" 192.	Orillia .....Orillia	" 466.	Coronation .....Elmvale
" 230.	Kerr .....Barrie	" 470.	Victoria Victoria Harbor
" 234.	Beaver .....Clarksburg	" 492.	Karnak .....Coldwater

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA

GEORGIAN DISTRICT No. 9a (11)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. Chris. H. Taylor, Owen Sound.

No. 88, St. George's Owen Sound	No. 385, Spry	Beeton
" 236, Manitoba ....Cookstown	" 444, Nitetis	Creemore
" 285, Seven Star ....Alliston	" 449, Dundalk	Dundalk
" 322, North Star ..Owen Sound	" 467, Tottenham ..	Tottenham
" 333, Prin. Arthur, Flesherton	" 490, Hiram	Markdale
" 377, Lorne		Shelburne

NIAGARA DISTRICT No. 10 (23)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. Geo. H. Brown, Chippawa

No. 2, Niagara	No. 254, Clifton ..	Niagara Falls
" 7, Union	" 277, Seymour Port	Dalhousie
" 15, St. George's St.Cathar'es	" 296, Temple ..St. Catharines	
" 32, Amity	" 319, Hiram	Hagersville
" 35, St. John's	" 329, King Solomon ..	Jarvis
" 103, Maple Leaf,St Catharines	" 337, Myrtle ..Port Robinson	
" 105, St. Mark's, Niag. Falls S	" 338, Dufferin ..	Wellandport
" 115, Ivy	" 372, Palmer	Bridgeburg
" 168, Merritt	" 373, Copestone	Welland
" 169, Macnab ..Port Colborne	" 471, K. Edward vii.	Chippawa
" 185, Enniskillen	" 502, Coronation ..	Smithville
" 221, Mountain		Thorold

TORONTO WEST DISTRICT No. 11 (27)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. John Stephens, Toronto.

No. 22, King Solomon's Toronto	No. 346, Occident	Toronto
" 54, Vaughan	" 356, River Park ..	Streetsville
" 65, Rehoboam	" 369, Mimico ..	Lambton Mills
" 86, Wilson	" 384, Alpha	Toronto
" 98, True Blue	" 426, Stanley	Toronto
" 118, Union	" 438, Harmony	Toronto
" 156, York	" 468, Peel	Caledon East
" 229, Ionic	" 474, Victoria	Toronto
" 247, Ashlar	" 481, Corinthian ..	Toronto
" 265, Patterson	" 496, University ..	Toronto
" 292, Robertson	" 501, Connaught ..	Mimico
" 305, Humber	" 510, Parkdale	Toronto
" 311, Blackwood, Woodbridge	U.D., St. Alban's ..	Toronto
" 326, Zetland		Toronto

TORONTO EAST DISTRICT No. 11a (23)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. Albert B. Crosby, Toronto.

No. 16, St. Andrew's ..	No. 316, Doric	Toronto
" 23, Richmond Richm'd Hill	" 339, Orient	Toronto
" 25, Ionic	" 343, Georgina	Toronto
" 75, St. John's	" 354, Brock	Cannington
" 87, Markham Un'n Markham	" 367, St. George	Toronto
" 97, Sharon	" 410, Zeta	Toronto
" 99, Tuscan	" 424, Doric	Pickering
" 129, Rising Sun	" 430, Acacia	Toronto
" 136, Richardson ..	" 473, The Beaches ..	Toronto
" 218, Stevenson	" 494, Riverdale	Toronto
" 220, Zeredatha	U.D., Malone	Sutton West
" 269, Brougham Un.		Claremont

ONTARIO DISTRICT No. 12 (16)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. John J. Moore, Brooklyn.

No. 30, Composite	No. 408, Murray	Beaverton
" 39, Mount Zion	" 428, Fidelity	Port Perry
" 77, Faithful Breth. Lindsay	" 440, Arcadia	Minden
" 139, Lebanon	" 451, Somerville ..	Kinmount
" 268, Verulam	" 463, N. Entrance ..	Haliburton
" 270, Cedar	" 464, King Edward ..	Sunderland
" 368, Victoria	" 477, Harding	Woodville
" 406, The Spry Fenelon Falls	" 498, King George V.	Coboconk

PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT No. 13 (20)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. Jas. McC. Potts, Stirling.

No. 11.	Moirs	Belleville	No. 126.	Gol'n Rule,	Campbellford
" 17.	St. John's	Cobourg	" 127.	Franck	Frankford
" 18.	Prince Edward	Picton	" 161.	Percy	Warkworth
" 29.	United	Brighton	" 164.	Starinthe	East Wellington
" 38.	Trent	Trenton	" 215.	Lake	Ameliaburg
" 48.	Madoc	Madoc	" 222.	Marmora	Marmora
" 50.	Consecon	Consecon	" 239.	Tweed	Tweed
" 69.	Stirling	Stirling	" 283.	Eureka	Belleville
" 91.	Colborne	Colborne	" 401.	Craig	Deseronto
" 123.	The Belleville	Belleville	" 482.	Bancroft	Bancroft

FRONTENAC DISTRICT No. 14 (16)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. Robert J. Gardiner, Kingston.

No. 3.	TheAnc't	St. John's	Kingston	No. 212.	Elysian ..	Garden Island
" 9.	Union	Napanee	" 228.	Prince Arthur ..	Odessa	
" 92.	Catarqui	Kingston	" 253.	Minden	Kingston	
" 109.	Albion	Harrowsmith	" 299.	Victoria	Centreville	
" 119.	Maple Leaf	Bath	" 404.	Lorne	Tamworth	
" 146.	Prin. of Wales	Newburgh	" 441.	Westport	Westport	
" 157.	Simpson	Newboro'	" 460.	Rideau	Seeley's Bay	
" 201.	Leeds	Gananoque	" 497.	St. Andrew's	Arden	

ST. LAWRENCE DISTRICT No. 15 (16)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. Gordon R. Putnam, Merrickville

No. 5.	Sussex	Brockville	No. 242.	Maesoy	Mallorytown
" 14.	True Britons	Perth	" 368.	Salem	Brockville
" 24.	St. Francis Smith's	Falls	" 370.	Harmony	Delta
" 28.	Mount Zion	Kemptville	" 387.	Lansdowne	Lansdowne
" 55.	Merrickville	Merrickville	" 389.	Crystal Fount'n	Augusta
" 74.	St. James' ..	S. Augusta	" 416.	Lyn	Lyn
" 85.	Rising Sun	Athens	" 459.	Osiris	Smith's Falls
" 110.	Central	Prescott	" 504.	Otter	Lombardy

OTTAWA DISTRICT No. 16 (21)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. Milo H. Steele, Carleton Place.

No. 52.	Dalhousie	Ottawa	No. 231.	Lodge of Fidelity	Ottawa
" 58.	Doric	Ottawa	" 264.	Chaudiere	Ottawa
" 63.	St. John's	Carleton Place	" 371.	Prince of Wales	Ottawa
" 122.	Renfrew	Renfrew	" 433.	Bonnechere	Eganville
" 128.	Pembroke	Pembroke	" 459.	Cobden	Cobden
" 147.	Mississippi	Almonte	" 465.	Carleton	Carp
" 148.	Civil Service	Ottawa	" 476.	Corinthian, North	Gower
" 159.	Goodwood	Richmond	" 479.	Russell	Russell
" 177.	The Builders'	Ottawa	U.D.,	Enterprise	Beachburg
" 196.	Madavaska	Arnprior	U.D.,	Hazeldean	Hazeldean
" 209.	Evergreen	Lanark			

ALGOMA DISTRICT No. 17 (11)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. John T. Hollinshead, Port Arthur.

No. 287.	Shuniah	Port Arthur	No. 453.	Royal	Fort William
" 414.	Pequonga	Kenora	" 461.	Ionic	Rainy River
" 415.	Fort William	Ft. William	" 484.	Golden Star	Dryden
" 417.	Keewatin	Keewatin	" 500.	Port Arthur, Pt.	Arthur
" 445.	Lake of the Woods	Kenora	U.D.,	Connaught W	Ft. William
" 446.	Granite	Fort Frances			

NIPISSING DISTRICT No. 18 (15)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. Wm. J. Thompson, Sault Ste. Marie

No. 405.	Mattawa	Mattawa	No. 469.	Algoma Sault Ste.	Marie
" 412.	Keystone	Sault Ste. Marie	" 472.	Gore Bay	Gore Bay
" 420.	Nipissing	North Bay	" 485.	Haileybury	Haileybury
" 427.	Nickel	Sudbury	" 486.	Silver	Cobalt
" 442.	Dymont	Thessalon	" 487.	Penewobikong	Blind R.
" 447.	Sturgeon Falls	Sturg. F.	" 506.	Porcupine	Porcupine
" 455.	Doric	Little Current	" 507.	Elk Lake	Elk Lake
" 462.	Temisc'ing	New Liskeard			

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA

MUSKOKA DISTRICT No. 19 (8)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. Donald M. Grant, Huntsville.

No. 352, Granite	Parry Sound	No. 423, Strong	Sundridge
" 360, Muskoka ...	Bracebridge	" 434, Algonquin	Emsdale
" 376, Unity	Huntsville	" 443, Powassan	Powassan
" 409, Golden Rule	Granvenhu't	" 454, Corona	Burk's Falls

OTONABEE DISTRICT No. 20, (13)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. Bernard W. Squire, Norwood.

No. 26, Ontario	Port Hope	No. 223, Norwood	Norwood
" 31, Jerusalem ..	Bowmanville	" 313, Clementi	Lakefield
" 66, Durham	Newcastle	" 325, Orono	Orono
" 101, Corinthian	Peterborough	" 374, Keene	Keene
" 114, Hope	Port Hope	" 375, Lorne	Omeme
" 145, J. B. Hall	Millbrook	" 435, Havelock	Havelock
" 155, Peterborough	Peterbor'gh		

EASTERN DISTRICT No. 21 (16)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. Geo. A. Bradley, Alexandria.

No. 21a, St. John's	Vankleek Hill	No. 383, Henderson ..	Winchester
" 125, Cornwall	Cornwall	" 418, Maxville	Maxville
" 142, Excelsior ...	Morrisburg	" 439, Alexandria ..	Alexandria
" 143, Friendly Bros.	Iroquois	" 450, Hawkesbury	Hawkesbury
" 186, Plantagenet	Plantagenet	" 452, Avonmore	Avonmore
" 207, Lancaster	Lancaster	" 458, Wales	Wales
" 256, Farran's Point	Aultsville	" 480, Williamsburg	Williamsb'g
" 320, Chesterville	Chesterville	" 491, Cardinal	Cardinal

RECAPITULATION

Erie District	No. 1	26	Lodges
St. Clair District	No. 2	21	"
London District	No. 3	26	"
South Huron District ..	No. 4	19	"
North Huron District ..	No. 5	19	"
Wilson District	No. 6	22	"
Wellington District	No. 7	22	"
Hamilton District	No. 8	27	"
Georgian District	No. 9	14	"
Georgian District	No. 9a	11	"
Niagara District	No. 10	23	"
Toronto West District ..	No. 11	27	"
Toronto East District ..	No. 11a	23	"
Ontario District	No. 12	16	"
Prince Edward District	No. 13	20	"
Frontenac District	No. 14	16	"
St. Lawrence District ..	No. 15	16	"
Ottawa District	No. 16	21	"
Algoma District	No. 17	11	"
Nipissing District	No. 18	15	"
Muskoka District	No. 19	8	"
Otonabee District	No. 20	13	"
Eastern District	No. 21	16	"

SUSPENSIONS N. P. D. 1912—1913

No. 3—Jas. D. Thompson. 5—Herbert C. Millar, E. F. Chapman. 6—R. P. Anderson, C. P. Garrett, D. C. James, Wm. L. Ross. 9—Herman Menz, H. R. Savage. 10—R. E. Chapman W. B. Cameron, Geo. H. Vail. 11—E. G. Horton, Geo. Johnston, A. F. McCuaig, S. E. Phillips. 18—Robt. S. Carter, Robt. B. Owens, Wm. B. Levens. 20—H. W. Blackwell, A. Brammer, Eli Hodgins, V. R. Williamson, 21a—W. H. Crooks, Adam Bertrand, W. G. Graham. 22—Thos. Hines, Robt. G. McGrath, Jno. B. Ware, John W. Wood, Ben A. C. Craig, Thos. Davis. 25—Morton B. Downes, Alfred Hall. 29—E. P. Ainsworth, F. F. Snelgrove. 33—J. P. Bailey, F. H. Doty, M. O. Johnston, Geo. W. Smith, Jas. Stewart. 34—E. E. Harris. 37—H. C. Barrow, H. P. Shuttleworth, Geo. A. Tonson. 38—J. M. Hall, W. J. Farley, T. W. Jacques, F. A. Sweetman, J. H. Deckey, R. Meredith. R. G. Calder, J. H. Glascott, R. H. Laidman, C. McGinnis, J. D. McKay, W. McDougall. 40—A. M. Robson, R. Unsworth. 43—F. W. Dunn, D. Andrew, W. B. Becker, J. A. Innis, A. R. Knight, C. E. Richards, J. W. Moore, J. T. McKay. 44—Wm. Fullerton, Hugh Keith, Wm. Stokes. 45—A. E. Mann. 47—R. Pinchin, C. F. Mezgar, Jas. Dixon, N. Dixon. E. Dillon, Geo. O'Dell, W. C. B. Mason, T. B. Reynolds, J. R. Evans, H. P. Brush, A. L. Glassford, W. L. Black, E. G. Smith, Herbert O'Neill, C. Fuller, V. S. Reaper, F. W. Barclay. 52—H. E. Maple, D. A. McClelland, Wm. N. Ostrom, R. W. Porteous. 58—Geo. Mortimer, R. B. Smith, F. W. Anderson, Wm. Brown, S. Parkin, H. Serdon, H. L. Parsons, D. Love, G. W. Rayercroft, Geo. A. Wilson, Chas. Wilds. 64—Sam H. Craig, Lloyd G. Pattie. 65—A. H. Cheesman, S. Ferguson, F. G. D. Hay, Jno. Jolley, J. P. Miller, G. P. Ruckbie, W. W. Williams, J. H. Williamson. 68—Wm. A. Edgar, Jas. T. Norton. 69—J. S. Carstairs, Jno. Gay, W. H. Clark. 73—James Clyde, Jr., Jas. Clyde, Sr., C. H. Harding. 75—Arthur Gilray, M. D. Schwengler. 76—Wm. T. Crosby, H. J. Cook, D. S. Cluff, Geo. E. Phillips. 77—Jas. M. Campbell, R. R. Elliott, H. Rustad, Fred H. Rogers, W. W. Naysmith, W. F. Carefoot, N. Milne. 79—D. J. McGuire. 82—Israel Kenny, Geo. Kitchen. 84—Jno. Lummerling, C. E. Card. 85—Jas. Ross. 86—F. D. Connor, R. V. Dawson, Thos. Nevin, G. W. Wagar. 88—J. G. Somerville. Wm. N. Batty, F. M. Millar, Wm. Bothwell, Jno. S. Tempest. 92—W. H. Armstrong, S. Burton, Alex. Tait, Ed. Wright, P. G. Wilnot. 97—Fred N. Pearson, Frank W. Pearson, Daniel Anderson, A. E. Jones. 100—John Sandling. 101—F. A. Clarke, Chas. Wynn, F. L. Somerville, J. W. Garvin, J. S. Kuapman. 104—W. A. Miller. 107—Jas. H. McGregor. 121—J. B. Bellhouse, W. M. Charlton, G. H. Meredith, M. Mesecar, J. A. Symington, W. F. Scott, J. S. Wright, Oscar Wangenheim, A. O. Wood, Frank Walsh. 122—Wm. J. Grey, Jno. Johnston, Jos. Plannet, D. S. Stewart. 123—A. R. Wooldridge. 125—Peter A. Conroy, Jno. C. Milligan. 126—J. S. Fielding. 129—N. W. Pruner, J. S. McKee. 137—Thos. Carroll, D. McKinnon, Fred Mott, Ed. Lyon, Hy. Reid, Wm. J. Smith, W. J. P. Thompkins. 140—W. R. Hare, H. Ryckman, H. F. Woodry. 142—Alson A. Button, Jas. Barr. 143—John F. Hatcheroff, T. D. Smith. 144—A. B. Boulton, J. S. Koch, R. McArthur, P. A. McPhee, R. L. Sargent. 145—Jas. E. Leitch. 147—H. M. Clark, A. B. Merrilee. 149—Jno. Gunn. 151—Chas. H. Walper, D. M. Campbell, Ivan M. Walker, C. H. Bochmer, Alex. J. Richards, W. R. Beechbill, C. P. Walker, E. S. Little. 155—Jno. H. Croft, F. Mercer, N. W. Arthur. 156—A. Blackwell, J. A. Bryan, Wm. Maguire, W. Barnes. 159—W. M. McKay, W. A. Clarke. 162—Wm. J. Mitchell. 165—W. E. Babcock, David Jardine, A. J. Clark, H. W. Smale, Jas. H. De forest. 168—F. W. Houston. 170—J. B. Wade. 171—Jno. A. Campbell, Arthur Simpson, John H. Rocke, Dugald E. Campbell, Alex. J. Campbell. 174—R. Stenebaugh, E. D. Jorey. 178—W. B. McMicken, Geo. Nichol. 180—Chas. S. Wood. 184—David Beil. 194—Wm. J. Neil, Elmer Woolmer. 196—H. D. Chipman, T. G. Hunt, H. S. Kearns, A. C. Pye, Jr. 209a—Thos. J. Hodgins, Chas. F. McGladdery, Hy. J. Stephens. Thos. H. Taylor. 216—W. A. Collister, W. Darrough.

J. P. Irwin, B. E. Matthews, W. McMaster, G. S. Van Wyck, O. S. Maxwell, J. B. Reid, Wm. Daniels, Robt. Forsyth, W. H. Maltly, D. McIntyre. 219—R. H. Adams, T. R. Earngey, D. C. Kemp, A. Watson, J. K. Cross. 220—M. W. Plant, W. H. Brett, J. L. Patterson, W. W. Borrowman, J. J. Sanders. 223—Wm. R. Cameron, H. Howson, T. H. Loughridge, A. Primrose, C. A. Pengelly, A. R. Richmond, F. J. Squire. 228—Noble Bond, A. P. S. Donaldson. 233—Wm. J. Semple, Sam'l H. Allen. 234—Jas. D. McKinley, Geo. A. Cumming. 235—Geo. McClean, Geo. A. Gohn. 239—Chas. S. Geen. 19 Dec 12. 243—Wm. Robb, A. S. Lawrence, Frank Brennan, W. H. Secord, F. J. Townsend. 250—J. C. Brown, J. Watson, C. B. Miller, Jno. Brown, B. Townsend, F. Jamieson, J. Wright. 253—S. G. Rogers. 256—A. N. Stevens. 257—W. C. W. Burns, Jno. M. Cameron, Thos. Dryden, Thos. Keatchie, David Strachan, Jas. Cromarty. 260—P. G. Dawson, A. M. Cassidy. 262—W. T. Stewart, D. McKenzie. 263—F. Thomas, A. Weaver, G. R. Taylor, F. J. Brodie. 266—Jesse Doner, Robt. McMurray, W. T. Alliston. 267—H. A. Nelson, Benj. Radbourne. 268—Edward Irwin, R. E. Tully. 270—H. G. Davis, Jno. M. Tamblyn, D. W. Rogers, J. Staunton, S. B. Sidney, H. F. Siggins, J. W. Thompson. 277—Foster Lickers. 282—C. W. Baker, A. McTaggart, H. B. McNeil, D. A. McIntyre, D. H. McRae, Jno. G. McAlpine. 284—Chas. McQuarrie. 285—C. H. McNab, F. M. Mulkins. 291—Albert E. Simon. 297—C. Blum, J. Maecker, D. R. Shantz, S. G. Branch, Geo. Taylor, R. W. Russ, E. J. Russ, Jas. Sutton, F. W. Johnston, Geo. Hopkinson, Farnley. 302—James Fiddler, Geo. E. Masterman, Thos. Donley, Jas. N. Pinckney, Wm. Angle, F. W. E. Bartholmew. 304—Robt. McLeary, H. E. Hughes, J. S. Milen, D. M. Gilpin, Jno. Irwin. 305—Albert Lamb. 311—A. E. Loughhead, C. O. Stewart, Geo. M. Stewart, Alf. H. Brother. 312—Jas. Ross, Thos. Redpath, Sam'l Crist, D. F. Seed. 314—Wm. Lynch, Wm. Robertson, Jno. M. Skelton. 316—C. E. Knowles, P. D. Wilmott, J. C. Sills, Thos. W. Maus, Wm. F. McKenzie, J. J. Busted. 322—H. G. Armstrong, P. H. Wilson, W. S. Yule, J. L. Baxter, Wm. Coulter, A. D. Cresor, S. C. Hodgan, C. Robertson, K. Webster. 326—H. B. Young, N. B. Egan. 327—J. B. Wintermute. 333—Thos. A. Gamoy. 336—R. G. Buchanan. 338—J. W. Copland, J. W. Whitecombe, R. Auger, Geo. L. Harton, J. C. Munson, W. A. Terry, E. E. Farr, Chas. Michner, Jas. A. Clendening, Geo. E. Nelson. 339—A. E. Weller, F. J. Norfolk, Paul McKellar, W. J. Gibbitt, W. E. Cane, Jas. Murray, Alex. Begley. 343—E. Waltham, T. F. Corey, Stuart Elder. 345—Mark Smith, Wm. Duncan. 346—Geo. E. Boddy, Thos. Matthews, J. S. Moffat, Jno. McKenzie, Richard Phillips, Sam'l T. Wright, Alex. Gray. 356—R. B. Eaton, A. L. Gordon. 357—N. B. Ireland, E. Cole. 359—Jas. A. Forrest, J. G. Gunn. 370—E. C. Collison, S. Ranson, S. Tabor, R. J. McGuire, R. G. Stanton, D. A. Coon, W. R. C. Merrill. 372—Colin Gilbert, Edgar Forsyth. 373—Alex. McK. Robbie. 378—Wm. O. Meriam. 380—Jas. M. Learn, Geo. Hammett, J. F. Bryant, C. R. Ayars, H. Chapple. 384—Robt. Pink, John Thompson, Jno. Clegg, A. Riley, J. S. Herod, Geo. H. Tidman, Arch. Cupples, G. M. Atlas. 388—Alex. Laidlaw, S. Harding, Wm. West, A. L. G. Clark, W. H. Rewe. 390—Geo. Morgan. 391—D. Cochrane, R. W. Youngs, A. A. Whitwam, G. Munroe. 397—Jno. L. McLean. 398—Geo. E. Lepsett, Jno. A. McPherson. 400—Arthur Kemp, Edward James. 403—Jno. N. Stone. 406—F. A. McDearmid, Jas. A. Brown. 409—Isaac White, John W. Cook, Geo. T. Aiken. 410—Geo. E. Beatty, R. M. McIntyre, F. A. Sparling, John C. Gray, Chas. W. Bacon, Joseph Harrison, A. V. H. Pearce, Len Barker, J. W. Ross. 412—Jas. Henderson. 414—T. W. Smith, W. Campbell, A. S. Cuthbert, W. R. Frost, Geo. Law. 415—Wm. T. Reid, H. Rindall, Geo. Pratt, H. L. Wiley, C. H. Kirkup, C. R. Booth, Jos. Muir, John G. Veit. 419—F. J. Clement, A. Bright, J. W. Pringle, James Coulter, Herbert Lomas, F. E. Baker. 422—E. W. Gilbert. 424—Fred Nighswander. 425—Geo. W. Meyers. 426—G. B. McGregor, H. R. Choate, F. W. Hocking, T. C. Tinline, H. Rose, C. H. Bagsley, L. H. Robinson, R. D. Thompson, C. J. Southwell, D. McMcConkey. 429—Wm. E. Mitchell, J. R. Patterson. 430—T. R. Thompson, Wm. Fairburn, Bernard Williams. 433—R. H. Childerhose, M. Foran, T. A. Gourlay, W. R. Fowler, David Sutherland, D. Joboon, J. Joborn, A. S. Laws.

John McKenzie. 440—W. A. Welch, H. T. Archbold 443—Jno. Armstrong, A. Cronkete, T. Hadwin, A. C. Johnston. 445—Geo. M. James. 448—Geo. McLean. 464—J. T. Lavery, J. H. Chivin, O. E. Bagshaw, E. J. Thompson, W. H. H. Sparks, R. Badenock, Jno. M. Thompson, Neil D. Keith. 466—Britton Bell, Jas. E. Coe. 468—N. L. Irwin, Jos. L. Haycock, C. W. Stephenson. 469—A. L. Cherry, F. A. Fisch, D. Donald, A. B. Ferrier. 470—R. McDowell, Jas. E. Readman. 471—Jos. E. Mason. 474—Fred Ineson. 475—Geo. H. Gibson, W. G. Kenny. 478—W. F. Herns, Theo. G. Pfeffer. 482—Geo. E. Hoyt. 484—G. D. Brown, H. K. York, H. M. Burlingham, L. E. W. Reid, Wm. Reid, W. E. Robertson, Lawrence Johnston, F. W. Pearson, W. F. Ross, N. H. Cassidy. 486—B. M. Sylvester, H. M. McNeill, J. W. Beamish, Jas. Leslie, Ira L. Church, R. L. Reade. 487—Fred D. Walton. 488—Roland Wright, Jas. Howie. 491—F. W. Blakeman. 494—J. W. Young, Thos. H. Spence, Wm. H. Jackson.

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No. 25—Alfred Hall. 65—Walter A. Sadler. 96—Walter Kelsey. 306—Jno. R. Davis. 329—John Y. Murdoch. 373—Alex. McRobbie. 410—John Wm. Ross and Leonard Barker. 471—Joseph E. Maxsom. 440—Wm. Welch.

DEATHS, 1912—1913

No. 2—H. Vivian. 6th Apl. 1913. 3—Wm. Stewart, 16th May, 1913. 1913. 5—Z. R. Rowe, 20th July 1912, A. Parker, 27th Nov. 12. Jno. R. Qunisey, 7th March, 1913. 6—John Carruthers, 12th January, 1913, Peter Taylor, 24th May, 1913, Jas. McLerie, 29th May, 1913, Geo. Kirkland, 13th June, 12. Hy. Griffith, 6th Aug., 1912, Walter S. Briggs, 27th Aug., 1912, Wm. A. Davis, 11th Dec., 1912. 7—Jno. Wilmot, 2nd Aug., 1912, W. J. Hannah, 13th May, 1913. 9—A. Toomey, 20th July, 1912, W. J. Wright, 14th Oct. 1912, Jas. Woodhams, 13th Dec., 1912 John A. Pratt, 11th May, 1913. 11—Jno. M. Clarke, 20th Oct., 1912, A. G. Comengo, 2nd May, 13, A. P. Carrol, 26th Feb., 1913, F. J. Frost, 8th May, 1913. 14—Joseph Beatty, 13th June, 1912, Isaac Korry, 22nd May 1912. 15—Levi Yale, 4th Apl. 1913. 16—Wm. L. Wilkinson, 1st Oct., 1912, Geo. I. Baguly, 5th Oct., 1912, Peter Arnot, 8th Oct., 1912, A. H. Stinson, 27th Nov., 1912, H. J. Snelgrove, 22nd Dec., 1912 J. C. Arlidge, 22 January, 1913, Jno. S. Moran, 23rd January, 1913, Thos. Bell, 16th Feb. 1913, W. Smellie, 13th Feb., 1913, Wm. Carlyle, 28th Apl., 1913. 17—Fredk Melcalfe, 21st Dec. 1912, Chas. H. Simmons, 10th Oct. 1912. 18—Peter D. Davis, 8th Sept. 1912, Thos. Warring, 1st Apl. 1913 S. M. Scott, 6th Jan. 1913. 20—Jas. A. Buiter, 3rd Aug. 1912, Jas. A. Hillan, 10th Sept., Wm. Walker, 14th Oct. 1912, Jas. Dunn, 18th Nov. 1912, R. R. Smith, 13th Oct. 1911, Daniel W. Blackwell, 10th Dec. 1912, Wm. Hallinger 13th Dec. 1911. 21a—Wm. J. Howes, 8th Aug. 1912, W. Franklin, 1913. 22—Wm. J. Colville, 8th May 1913, S. McGowan, 15th Jan. 1913. 23—Jas. A. Mirtson, 19th Feb. 1913. 24—M. W. Everetts, 21st May 1913, W. Hawke, 9th June 1913, Chas. E. Robinson, 9th June 1913. 25—Robt. A. Smith, 17th July 1912, Nicol Kingsmill, 22nd July, 1912, Wm. Clark, 10th Nov. 1912, Hubert L. Watt, 15th May 1913. 26—Arthur B. Cheffins, 13th Aug. 1912, Thos. Tuer, 5th Nov. 1912, Jas McLean, 15th May, 1913, F. H. Outram, 24th June 1913. 27—Wm. Tocher, 4th July 1912, E. J. Moore, 25th July, 1912, F. E. Dallyn, 3rd. Aug. 1912, Chas. Lemon, 6th Oct. 1912, G. W. Kappeler, 10th Oct. 1912, Thos. Kennedy, 12th Nov. 1912, R. O. MacKay, 25th Jan. 1913, Henry New, 10th Feb. 1913, Alex. Turner, 11th Feb. 1913. 30—Richard S. Cormack, 18th Aug. 1912, Geo. Coomack, 18th March. 31—W. H. Foley, 16th June 1913. 32—Fred M. Waines, 3rd. Jan. 1912, D. Price sr., 16th Aug. 1912, Wm. N. Montague, 22nd Dec. 1912. 33—John Lawson, 6th Oct. 1912, Geo. Hilton, 5th March 1913. 34—Walter L. Manson, 13th Apl. 1913. 35—Geo. A. Gibson, 6th Apl. 1913, John Haney 10th March. 37—Wm. Henderson, 26th June, 1912, John Bremner, 20th May, 1913. 38—W. W. Farley, 18th March 1913. 40—Jno. Dow, 24th March 1913, A. L. Stares, 12th Apl. 1913, D. Reid, 1st. May 1913, S. O. Maddock, 31st May, 1913 J. R. Gage, 21st May, 1913, A. T. Orton, 9th June, 1913,

William Holmes, 12th Sept. 1912. Jos. Hopkins, 17th Nov. 1912. B. Winnefrith, 22nd Nov. 1912. A. M. Foster, 6th Jan. 1913. 41—A. H. Scratch, 3rd Oct. 1912. 42—Jno. Ogar, 11th Oct. 1912, Isaac Sargent, 18th Apl. 1913. 44—C. M. Ryckman, 23rd Nov. 1912, J. Mickleborough, 26th Nov. 1912, Thos. Clark, 20th Feb. 1913. 45—H. F. Crawford, 3rd July 1912, Jno. Golding, 7th Oct. 1912. A. R. Vansickle, 9th Dec. 1912. E. E. Kitchen, 18th Feb. 1913. 46—John R. Walker, 28th March 1913, Hy. A. Dunn, 6th Apl. 1913, Robt. J. Birch, 9th May 1913. Edward W. Pugh, 2nd June, 1913, Robt. Floetor, 6th Feb. 1912, F. D. Drewery, 17th Sept. W. T. Chapman, 23rd Dec. 1912, Hy B. Darr, 9th March 1913. 47—Thos. Volans, 17th Nov. 1912, Wm. Causland, 17th Apl. 1913. D. McDonald, 23rd June 1913, Geo. E. Wilson, 22nd, Feb. 1913. 52—Alex. Duncan, 12th July, 1912, W. J. Deevey, 16th Aug. 1912, Jno. Gray, 11th Dec. 1912, Fredk Harvey, 24th Oct. 1912, Wm. Flegg, 22nd, Jan. 1913, W. F. Taylor, 30th Jan. 1913. 56—Michael Ironsides, 9th Nov. 1912. W. A. Dillabaugh, 29th March 1913, Sam'l Searle, 2nd Apl. 1913. 58—Geo. A. Sparks, 27th March, 1913. 61—C. S. Griggs, 18th Aug. 1912. Alfred Penzer, 7th Sept. 1912, H. C. Iles, 20th March, 1913, A. B. Wark, 28th Apl. 1913. Ed. Rosenstadt, 21st March 1913. 63—Robt. Elliott, 20th Aug. 1912, D. A. Muirhead, 23rd July, 1912, Thos. Hodgins, 9th Dec. 1912. W. M. Durham, 28th March. 1913. Ed. D. Edwards, 9th Apl. 1913, Geo. Jamieson, 26 May 1913. 64—Chas. A. Barnes, 8th Nov. 1912, Wm. R. Brown, 1st July, 1912, R. W. Rennie, 23rd. Feb. 1913, G. D. Wandless, 11th Feb. 1913. 65—Jno. S. Ballentyne, 11th Sept. 1912, H. J. Dilley, 1st Nov. 1912. 66—Jas. A. Mortson, 19th Feb. 1913. 68—E. L. Smith, 15th Feb. 1913. Justus Miller, 10th Apl. 1913. 69—Geo. Cotton, 19th July 1912, 72—H. S. Howell, 73—Wm. F. Anderson, 6th June 1912. 75—Spencer Love, 30th June, 1912, T. Tomlinson, 24th July 1912. Jas. T. Cox, 28th Nov. M. Guy, 8th Dec. 1912. William Simpson, 2nd June 1913. 76—John Odium, 27th June, 1912. Robert Anderson, 26th May 1913. 77—R. A. Sanderson, 15th Aug. 1912. Chas. Britton, 4th June, 1913. 78—E. G. Sutherland, 12th Jan. 1912. Rory McIntyre, 5th Feb. 1913. 79—Wm. Kneeshaw, 4th Oct. 1912. 82—Byron Prince, 3rd. Dec. 1912, Wm. R. Baker 6th Apl. 1913. 83—Edwin M. Marshall 7th Dec. 1912. 84—Thos. Beacom, 24th Dec. 1912, Duncan McDonald, 9th Jan. 1913, D. B. Kennedy, 5th June, 1913. 85—J. C. Alguire, 3rd March 1912, Thos. Berney, 6th Aug. 1912. 86—Jas. Stoddart, 25th July, 1912, Wm. A. Heakes, 15th Jan. 1913. 87—Thos. Weir, 27th Dec. 1912, Wm. Trevior, 1st May 1913. 88—Allan Cameron, 6th Sept. 1912. 91—Wm. J. Gleason 29th Aug. 1912. 92—Smith, Clexby, 21st Apl. 1912, A. T. McLeod, 24th May, 1912. 93—Wm. R. Brick, 4th Aug. 1912, E. G. Alexander, 17th Oct. 1912. W. McCartney, 24th July, 1912. Geo. Pogue, 13th Jan. 1913, Samuel Henry 19th Jan. 1913. Hy. T. Hurdon, 1st. Feb. 1913, Geo. Lindsay, 21st March, Norman McPherson, 14th Apl. 1913. 94—Wm. Hollins, 20th Aug. 1912. 97—John Fuller, 12th Nov. 1912. 100—Hugh Cross, 21st Feb. 1913, Geo. Bibby, 21st March, 1913, Geo. P. Crawford, 16th Apl. 1913. 101—Jno. Beatty, 12th Oct. 1912, Chas. Stapleton, 26th July 1912, A. F. MacNee, 21st March 1913, E. R. Mahon, 17th Apl. 1913. 103—S. S. Radcliffe, 4th Aug. 1912, Wm. McIntosh 23rd Jan. 1913, Thos. O'Neill, 14th, Feb. 1913, M. Moyer, 13th June, 1913. 105—C. S. Warner, 27th Dec. 1912, Geo. Simpson, 25th May, 1913. 108—Jas. Pellow, 16th Dec. 1912. 109—B. B. Shibley, 8th May 1913. 110—Jno. Stitt, 31st Oct. 1912. H. W. Burnett, 23rd Dec. 1912. 114—Malcolm Wood, 15th Dec. 1912. 115—G. W. Vail, 6th Feb. 1913. 116—A. W. Augustine, 17th July, 1912, Neil McLean, 12th July, 1912. 121—Edwin J. Draper, 7th Oct. 1912, Jno. W. Mathews, 22nd Oct. 1912, John W. Roswell, 18th Dec. 1912, Hy. Howell, 9th Jan. 1913, R. S. Dunlop, 23rd June 1913. 122—Jno. Hay 4th Aug. 1912, Thos. Morris, 18th Sept. 1912, Calvin Russell, 11th June 1913. 123—W. P. Hudson, 21st Nov. 1912, Albert E. Fry, 23rd Feb. 1913. 125—Willis P. Gerry, 30th Nov. 1912. 126—Thos. Bedford, 12th Oct. 1912. 127—Wm. Rogers, 17th July, 1912. 128, Jas. Wright, 28th Sept. 1912, Wm. H. Jordan, 10th Oct. 1912, D. B. Warren, 14th Apl. 1913. Robt. Delahey, 20th June 1913. 131—Jos. A. Wells, 22 March 1913. 133—Thos. P. McLaughlin, 25th Apl. 1913. 135—Jos. Bates, 17th Jan. 1913. 137—Jas. F. Lunran, 16th Nov. 1912. 144—Robt. White, 23rd Feb. 1913, P. McDougall, 8th Jan. 1913, T. A. McDougall 7th Feb.

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James Duncan, 13th Apl. 1913. 296—Donald Robertson, Sept. 24th, 1912. Geo. Brown, 26th May 1913. 299—Wm. French, 23rd Dec. 1912. B. S. Kellar, 29th March. 1913. Robt. Cox, 4th June 1913. 302—Edmund Zavitz, 27th Sept. 1912. H. I. Contts 22nd. Oct. 1912. Thos. A. Clark, 20th Feb. 1913. Wm. M. Sedge, 29th May. 1913. Chas. Serace, 20th May 1913. 303—Jas. Potter. 12th Nov. 1912. E. Livingstone, 12th Dec. 1912. D. Farrish, 12th Dec. 1912. Jno. H. Chillen. 12th Dec. 1912. 304—John L. Reid. 305—D. F. Maguire. 309—Joseph Nagle, Aug. 1912. 311—T. A. Agar, 17th Sept. 312—Jas. Scott, 28th Dec. 1912. 314—W. S. Jamieson, 4th Sept. 1912. W. J. McCaughrin, 23rd Sept. 1912. 316—Jno. S. Boyd, 16th Aug. 1912. 320—Lindsay Smirlie, 20th Nov. 1912. Sidney W. E. Hill, 19th March 1913. 322—Peter C. Sabeston, 26th Jan. 1913. 324—Wm. Tocher, 4th July. 1912. Wm. G. Wills, 17th Sept. 12. Chas. Lemon, 6th Oct. 1912. E. S. C. Clouston, 13th Nov. 1912. A. E. Miller, 27th Nov. 1912. G. T. Tuckett, 29th Jan. 1913. H. C. Bunbury, 14th Feb. 1913. Jas. W. Everett, 1st June 1913. 326—Jas. S. Smit, 6th Feb. 1913. F. H. Stark, 9th June 1913. Jno. H. Eddis, 16th Oct. 1912. 327—R. Wehlance, 19th Apl. 1911. 329—Bryce Allen, 6th June 1913. 332—Jas. I. Moore, 5th Jan. 1912. F. B. Jeffrey, 15th Jan. 1912. Jas. P. Mabey, 6th May. 1912. Geo. Black, 27th Apl. 1912. 334—Geo. Hudson, 19th March 1913. 337—Geo. Ross, 22th Apl. 1913. Geo. Rodgers, 27th Jan. 1913. 338—Sam'l Kennedy, 13th June 1913. 339—L. H. Patton 2nd Apl. 1913. Geo. Moore, 3rd June 1913. 343—H. L. LeBer, 13th Dec. 1912. Stephen Winch, 9th Apl. 1913. J. A. Mills, 18th Feb. 1913. Geo. A. Harper, 17th Apl. 1913. 344—Wm. Drake, 2nd Dec. 1912. 346—Geo. Haldea, 15th Nov. 1911. Geo. Kerr, 21st March. Jno. A. Pratt. 347—Geo. A. Reed, 4th March 1913. 348—John H. Creery, 28th May. 1913. 354—Arsoph Edwards, 13th Apl. 1913. 356—Wm. T. McClintock, 26th March 1912. Jno. W. Roswell, 8th Dec. 1912. A.E. Montgomery, 9th June 1913. 357—Samuel Flatt, 7th Oct. 1912. Jno. K. Hopkins, 25th Dec. 1912. 358—Chas. H. Lockwood, 16th June 1912. John D. Hill, 24th March 1913. 360—Jas. Hall, 5th Sept. 1912. D. McNaughton, 25th Nov. 1912. 361—Phillip Spragge, 21st Aug. 1912. W. E. Cutten, 23rd Nov. 1912. 362—Geo. Monkman, 29th June. 1912. Walter Sword, 15th Jan. 1913. 367—Jno. Smith, 12th Jan. 1913. Henry T. Merideth, 10th May 1913. 368—Geo. Collier, 9th Aug. 1912. Geo. M. Pennock, 19th Jan. 1913. 369—Geo. S. Weir. 370—N. B. Howard, 16th Dec. 1912. G. N. Huffman, 19th Nov. 1912. 371—Wm. Gorman, 22nd June 1912. Antoine Benzalin, 15th May 1912. Sam'l Gamble, 18th Feb. 1913. Jas. Deans, 13th June 1913. 372—Robt. Moore, 9th Sept. 1912. 373—Gabriel Johnston, 5th Jan. 1913. 374—Geo. E. Porter, 30th Dec. 1912. 377—Hugh Carson, 8th Dec. 1912. 378—Jas. Jeffries, 21st Sept. 1912. John Kelley, 29th Apl. 1913. Robt. M. Micheltree, 7th March 1913. 379—Geo. Wood, 15th Aug. 1912. Geo. Dann, 15th July. 1912. Chas. B. Hudson, 21st Jan. 1913. 380—Isaac Levy, 9th July. 1912. Walter Toll, 19th July. 1912. John Taylor, 27th Feb. 1913. W. J. Thomas, 30th Apl. 1913. 382—Hy. Crawford, 22nd July 1912. S. F. Venator, 20th Sept. 1912. Isaac Green, 6th Feb. 1913. 383—Alex. Cameron, 7th Aug. 1912. 384—Jas. Hannah, 28th July 1912. Hudson Joy, 1st March 1913. 385—E. Strangways, 13th Sept. 1912. Wm. Jas. Early, 27th Sept. 1912. A. Averill, 25th Nov. 1912. 387—Wm. J. Nunn, 17th Aug. 1912. 390—Geo. W. Rally, 4th May 1913. 391—John B. Tope, 24th Nov. 1912. 395—Nelson N. Moore. 398—Jno. R. Graham, 20th Nov. 1912. 400—Chas. A. Bradbury, 27th June 1912. 401—James Stokes, 4th Apl. 1913. F. J. Frost, 8th May 1913. 403—Jonas A. Grossep, 4th Oct. 1912. Thos. Volans, 17th Nov. 1912. Chas. G. Richards, 22nd Dec. 1912. 404—Joshua H. McLaughlin, May 8th, 1913. E. McGuire, 11th Apl. 1913. 405—W. W. Mitchell, 30th Sept. 1912. David McGarry, 20th Dec. 1912. Jno. Plummer, 16th Jan. 1913. 408—John Veale, 26th March 1913. 409—Thos. G. Taylor, 14th Dec. 1912. 410—Peter Burchardt, 3rd Feb. 1913. 414—Jonathan Wellington, 23rd Aug. 1912. Fred C. Secor, 13th Nov. 1912. M. J. Flynn, 11th Jan. 1913. E. Larson, 5th Apl. 1913. 419—M. Ironsides, 9th Nov. 1912. 424—John Greenlaw, 21st Oct. 1912. Wm. Morecombe, 22nd. Apl. 1913. 425—Wm. J. Finlay, 27th Nov. 1912. Jno. G. Dalgety, 29th Jan. 1913. Thos. Maden, 26th Jan. 1913. Albert Candick, 26th May 1913. 426—Wm. T. Upthegrove, 11th Dec. 1912. Archibald Campbell, 5th Jan. 1913. 427—Chas. W. Binkley, 6th Sept. 1912. Edward

Scafe, 15th Feb. 1913, Jas. Boyd, 21st June 1913. 428—David D. Adams, 15th Aug. 1912. Wm. Barton, 7th May, 1913. 429—John Duff, 21st March 1913, A. E. L. Shue. 430—John Richardson, 27th Dec. 1912, W. E. Cowling, 27th June, 1913. 433—Donald F. McGregor, 21st Apl. 1911. 434—S. C. Malkin, 11th Apl. 1913. 438—W. B. Nesbitt, 31st Jan. 1913. H. A. Yuille, 14th Jan. 1913. 439—Jno. F. McGregor, 27th Feb. 1913. 443—E. B. Weart, 24th March 1913. 444—Simon Plewes, 25th May 1913. 448—Hy. Dring, 12th June 1913. 449—Robt. Neilson, 13th May 1913. 452—F. H. McMarten, 3rd July 1912. 453—Wm. Geo. Corkett, 22nd March 1913, Allan McDougall, 3rd June 1913. 454—John H. Lennox, 9th Dec. 1912. 458—Wm. J. McClerty, 13th March 1913. 459—A. J. Drysdale, 19th May 1913, Robt. Delhaey, 20th June. 460—Tyrus H. Rhodes, 7th July 1912. 461—Alex. A. McCrimmon, 22nd Jan. 1912. 462—E. G. Wilmot, 7th Apl. 1913. 464—E. G. Sutherland, 19th Jan. 1912, F. Reynolds, 22nd May 1912. 465—Wm. T. Caruthers, 7th Dec. 1912, David McKay, 14th May 1913. 470—H. C. Smyth, 25th Aug. 1912, A. H. Vent, 8th Feb. 1913. 472—J. F. Ward, 2nd Aug. 1912. 476—Jas. Craig, 27th Aug. 1912, E. Kidd, 16th Sept. 1912. 481—Wm. C. Cook, 29th Nov. 1912, Wm. A. Wilson, 17th June 1913. 483—Jos. A. Grant, 10th Feb. 1913. 484—Geo. Sharpe, 5th Dec. 1912, Thos. Burchall, 18th July, 1912. 485—W. H. Spencer, 8th July 1912, R. N. Young, 22nd Oct. 1912. 486—E. Chamney, 488—Jno. Stocker, 2nd Aug. 1912, Alex. Boussey, 23rd Feb. 1913. 490—Robert Broatch, 6th Jan. 1913. 493—Jno. L. Maxwell, 20th Jan. 1913. 500—Henry W. Allan, 10th March 1913. 502—C. H. Snider, 6th Feb. 1913. 505—Geo. Archer, 10th Feb. 1913.

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Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta and Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada near that Grand Lodge. Formerly a member of Victoria Lodge No. 56, Sarnia.

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R.W.Bro. T. H. Brunton Newmarket	Virginia	M.W.Bro. A. H. Burroughs Lynchburg	Chas. A. Nesbitt	Richmond
R.W.Bro. W. C. Wilkinson Toronto	Washington	M.W.Bro. Yancey C. Blalock Walla Walla	Horace W. Tyler	Tacoma
M.W.Bro. J. E. Harding, K.C. Lindsay	West Virginia	M.W.Bro. W. H. Freeman Clarksburg	John M. Collins	Charleston
R.W.Bro. Henry Rush Peterborough	Wisconsin	M.W.Bro. Hiram W. Sawyer Hartford	W. W. Perry	Milwaukee
	Wyoming		W. L. Kuykendall	Saratoga
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R.W.Bro. F. Davey Diamond Belleville	Costa Rica	Bro. Wm. E. Inksetter	Antonio Castro	San Jose
R.W.Bro. George Tait Toronto	The Island of Cuba	Jose L. Vidaurrorta	Carlos G. Charles	Havana
R.W.Bro. W. G. Eakins, M.A. Toronto	Greece		S. Stevenson	Athens
R.W.Bro. G. G. Rowe, M.D. Toronto	Hungary	Bro. Ettore Ferrari	Dr. Alex. Fraenkel	Budapest
	Italy		Carlo Berlenda	Rome
R.W.Bro. R. Radcliffe Goderich	The Netherlands	Bro. T. A. O. DeRidder	J. Isabree Moens	Rotterdam
R.W.Bro. W. J. Drope New Grana	New Granada	Bro. J. M. Samper Angiano	Manuel J. Caceres	Lima
R.W.Bro. Geo. C. Holden Hamilton	Peru	Bro. Edwardo Lavergne	Jose G. Torres	San Juan
	Puerto Rico	Il. Glyde Gregory	Leopold A. P. Gomez	Lisbon
	Portugal	Bro. Joas C. D'Almeida		
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	Uruguay	Bro. Belisario Conrado	Jose De La Hantz	Monte Video

Appendix to Proceedings of 1913

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

A. T. FREED, P.G.M., CHAIRMAN

To the President of the Board of General Purposes:

On behalf of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, I beg to submit the following report. Proceedings of Grand Lodges reviewed are the following:

Alabama	1912	New Jersey	1912
Alberta	1912	New Mexico	1912
Arkansas	1912	New South Wales	1912
Belgium	1911	New Zealand	1912
British Columbia	1912	North Carolina	1912
California	1912	North Dakota	1912
Colorado	1912	Nova Scotia	1912
Connecticut	1913	Ohio	1912
Delaware	1912	Oklahoma	1913
District of Columbia	1912	Oregon	1912
England	1912	Pennsylvania	1912
Florida	1912-1913	Philippine Islands	1913
Georgia	1912	Prince Edward Isl'd	1912
Idaho	1912	Puerto Rico	1913
Illinois	1912	Quebec	1913
Indiana	1912	Queensland	1912
Iowa	1912	Rhode Island	1912
Ireland	1912	Saskatchewan	1912
Kansas	1913	Scotland	1912
Kentucky	1912	South Carolina	1912
Louisiana	1913	South Dakota	1912
Maine	1912	Tasmania	1913
Manitoba	1912	Tennessee	1913
Maryland	1912	Texas	1912
Massachusetts	1912	Utah	1913
Michigan	1912	Vermont	1912
Minnesota	1913	Virginia	1912
Mississippi	1913	Washington	1912
Missouri	1912	Western Australia	1912
Nebraska	1912	West Virginia	1912
Nevada	1912	Wisconsin	1912
New Brunswick	1912	Wyoming	1912
New Hampshire	1912		

ALABAMA

The ninety-second annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Alabama was opened at Montgomery December 3, 1912. Daniel A. Greene Grand Master. Lodges represented 430; unrepresented 95. Seven Past Grand Masters were present; also R. W. Bro. Wm. W. Brandon, representing the Grand Lodge of Canada.

Report was made that two representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions had failed for three years to be present at the annual communication, and the Grand Secretary was directed to notify those jurisdictions of the fact, and to request that the commissions be withdrawn.

The Grand Master announced that, during the year, he had issued dispensations for the formation of seventeen new lodges.

A number of decisions were given, nearly all of them being interpretations of local Masonic law. One decision is as follows:

A Subordinate Lodge cannot in its by-laws require a proficiency test in conferring the degrees, before becoming eligible to election as Master or Warden.

We cannot think that to be right. Surely a lodge ought to be able to see to it that its Master is able to perform the duties of Master, at least before installation. It would be as reasonable to appoint a school teacher without enquiring if he could read or write.

The Grand Master had granted permission to solicit subscriptions throughout the jurisdiction in aid of a hospital for Masons at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Bro. Greene was proud, and justly so, because the Widows' and Orphans' Home had been completed and paid for. Not only was there no debt upon it, but there was a considerable sum in the treasury as the nucleus of an endowment fund. During the session of Grand Lodge the Home was dedicated with imposing ceremonies.

R. W. Bro. George A. Beauchamp, the Grand Secretary, had, during the year, gathered much information as to the best and most economical method of keeping a record of members. He said:

After a careful analysis of the answers received to my inquiry, I am convinced that the loose leaf book system is the

cheapest and most practical for this jurisdiction; the same to be kept by a registrar or clerk, under the supervision and direction of the Grand Secretary, as suggested in the recommendation of Past Grand Master Lee in his annual address to the Grand Lodge in the year 1911. The cost of books to begin work will be only nominal, but it is estimated that the services of a registrar or clerk for at least five years will be necessary to bring the work up to date, and continuous services of such official will be required to carry on or continue same.

On the report of the committee on the Grand Master's address, Grand Lodge approved of the declaration that the Grand Lodge of Alabama did not recognize the Grand Lodge and the Grand Orient of France for the reason that those bodies did not require the Bible on their altars, and that this non-recognition was a bar to visitation.

It also approved of a conference of Grand Masters at Indianapolis in March, 1913, for the purpose of exchanging ideas which might promote harmony.

Warrants were granted to eighteen lodges under dispensation and three were retained under dispensation.

The committee on Foreign Correspondence reported for the second time that, since fraternal relations had not been established with the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, persons hailing from lodges holding under that jurisdiction were not eligible for affiliation with lodges in Alabama.

W. Bro. W. Y. Titcomb continues the report on Foreign Correspondence, with his accustomed ability. Bro. Titcomb complains that we have given him a wrong title, and have called him Past Grand Master, when he is only only Past Master. Well, the only apology we have to offer for the mistake is to say that if Bro. Titcomb is not entitled to the higher title he ought to be. He still thinks that at least one body not Masonic ought to be allowed to meet in Masonic lodge rooms. All right: "Ephraim is joined to his idols: let him alone."

Lodges in Alabama 543, including 7 under dispensation. Members 25,471, including 1,152 clergymen, who appear to pay lower dues than other members.

Daniel A. Greene, Birmingham, Grand Master.

George A. Beauchamp, Montgomery, Grand Secretary.

ALBERTA

The seventh annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Alberta was opened at Edmonton May 20, 1912. Thomas McNabb Grand Master. Lodges represented, including two under dispensation 57; unrepresented 11. Five Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. J. J. Dunlop, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

The Mayor of Edmonton was introduced and welcomed the brethren to the city.

Grand Master McNabb began his address with expressions of gratitude for what had been accomplished and with hopes for the future. He said:

As a Grand Lodge we have reason to rejoice in the knowledge that no cloud has arisen in the horizon of our friendly relations with foreign jurisdictions, whilst the prosperity heretofore existing in our own jurisdiction is unabating. Only seven short years have passed since the formation of our Grand Lodge, consisting of eighteen lodges and a membership of 1206 and ending the year 1911 with a handsome increase to 68 lodges with a membership of 4,498, thus indicating the rapid settlement and development of our Province. Yet the point of the wedge of prosperity has but entered. Never in the history of our beloved country has such activity existed as that shown at the present time, the rapidity with which bands of steel are traversing the yet unpopulated regions of our vast prairies, knitting together the isolated communities, making transportation facilities available for the numberless settlers who will follow up the steel bands which have always been the advance guard of civilization.

He had been very busy, and had officially visited every lodge in the jurisdiction. When we consider that, though Alberta has a comparatively small population, it is a province of magnificent distances, it will be understood that Bro. McNabb did a good deal of moving about.

During the year fourteen lodges were consecrated and six new lodges instituted under dispensation.

Other efforts of the Grand Master are thus reported.

I endeavored to enthuse into the members the benefit to be derived by holding District Lodges of Instruction, with I fear but little success. However, R. W. Bro. Cameron of District No. 8 started the ball rolling, by holding an enthusiastic meeting in Spitzie Lodge, a number of lodges participating. Another matter I tried to work up in the different lodges, which is worthy of more consideration, i.e. aid to the home and school fund. I hope my endeavors will bear fruit.

Considerable additions were made during the year to the Alberta Masonic home and school fund, and at the end of the year the total amounted to more than \$4,000.

A Masonic library has also been started, and many additions were made to it during the year.

The committee on Benevolence had but one call upon it; but many of the lodges had "contributed most liberally to benevolent work."

The committee to which the address of the Grand Master was referred made the following valuable suggestion:

We commend our Grand Master for the labor displayed in visiting every subordinate lodge in this jurisdiction, but recognize the fact that in the near future it will be impracticable for succeeding Grand Masters to keep up this record with its rapidly increasing numbers, and would therefore suggest that this Grand Lodge keep in mind the necessity of appointing at no distant date some eminently qualified brother to impart instruction to the brethren, especially of the younger lodges.

R. W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor writes the report on Foreign Correspondence. He starts out with the correct idea of a reviewer's duty, and carries it out with judgment and ability. He says:

We consider that it is the province of your committee to report as fully as space will permit, the events in the great Masonic world, and thereby to disseminate to the craft throughout this jurisdiction the decisions and acts of the various Grand Lodges in correspondence with this Grand Lodge. Fearing lest our report should be too lengthy we have been compelled to omit many matters of interest for which we ask our brother reviewers to accept our apologies. As far as practicable we have allowed the speaker or writer to speak in his own language, rather than try to interpret for him.

Bro. Taylor winds up his report by asking the question, "What are the landmarks of Masonry?" and answers it by giving Mackey's list. But Mackey's list is very generally discredited now. See remarks at the end of this report.

Lodges in Alberta 67; including 6 under dispensation; members 4,498, a gain of 675.

Robert Patterson, Macleod, Grand Master.

George MacDonald, M. D., Calgary, Grand Secretary.

ARKANSAS

The seventy-first annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Arkansas was opened at Little Rock November 19, 1912. Mark P. Olney Grand Master. Lodges represented 468; unrepresented 86. Twelve Past Grand Masters were present; also R. W. Bro. T. M. Horsfall, representing the Grand Lodge of Canada.

Grand Master Olney said the year had been marked by no great degree of prosperity; yet no discord existed, and there had been steady growth numerically.

The brethren had been called upon to mourn the death of their oldest Past Grand Master, M. W. Bro. George A. Dannelly, who died on the 4th of December 1911, and who was then in the 87th year of his age. He was Grand Master in 1873.

Many dispensations had been granted. Ten of them were "to confer degrees out of time, mostly wherein parties were going away, and into communities where there were no lodges;" three to ballot for second and third degrees at once; and three "to receive petitions under one year's residence." Ten dispensations were granted to permit lodges to install brethren elected Master from the floor, without having served as wardens.

One dispensation was granted for the formation of a new lodge.

Brethren at Hot Springs asked Grand Lodge to guarantee bonds to the amount of \$50,000 for the erection of a hotel and sanatorium at that place, but it does not appear that any action was taken.

A number of decisions were given, none of more than local interest.

The Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. Fay Hempstead, reported that he had become the dean of his corps, having served for thirty-one years.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence received permission to have its report printed in the volume of Proceedings; but it is not printed, and we are unable to consider it.

Lodges in Arkansas 554, including 4 under dispensation; members 18,692.

William T. Hammock, Quitman. Grand Master.

Fay Hempstead, Little Rock. Grand Secretary.

The following poem was written by Bro. Hempstead, and was inscribed upon the apron used when he initiated his son, Beall Hempstead.

ON PRESENTING THE LAMBSKIN APRON

By Fay Hempstead, Poet Laureate of Freemasonry.
 Light and white are its leathern folds;
 And a priceless lesson its texture holds.
 Symbol it is, as the years increase,
 Of the paths that lead through the fields of Peace
 Type it is of the higher sphere,
 Where the deeds of the body, ended here,
 Shall one by one the by-way be
 To pass the gates of Eternity.
 Emblem it is of a life intense,
 Held aloof from the world of sense;
 Of the upright walk and the lofty mind,
 Far from the dross of Earth inclined.
 Sign it is that he who wears
 Its sweep unsullied, about him bears
 That which should be to mind and heart.
 A set reminder of his art.
 So may it ever bring to thee
 The high resolves of Purity.
 Its spotless field of shining white,
 Serve to guide thy steps aright;
 Thy daily life, in **scope and plan**,
 Be that of the strong and upright man.
 And signal shall the honor be
 Unto those who wear it worthily.
 Receive it thus to symbolize
 Its drift, in the life that before thee lies.
 Badge as it is of a great degree,
 Be it chart and compass unto thee.
 Little Rock, Ark., March 19, 1912.

BELGIUM

It is not easy to give to Canadian readers a correct picture of Masonry in Belgium, because conditions in that Kingdom are so materially different from conditions in this country. Following the practice of the mother Grand Lodge, our constitution and our traditions deprecate religious and political discussions. Belgian Masonry is nothing if not political; and to discuss politics there is to discuss religion, because religion and politics are inextricably interwoven. The dominant church in Belgium is hostile to Masonry; and Masonry, in self-defence, strikes at its persecutor.

For example, a proposal was before the Grand Orient to establish a lodge at Elizabethport, on the

Congo; but the Grand Master announced that he was in receipt of a despairing appeal from brethren in that territory, showing that methodical efforts were being made by clericals and government functionaries to destroy the existing lodge at Stanleyville. He asserted the necessity of denouncing these practices from the tribune of Parliament.

It was decided to call a convention of Masons at Brussels to consider the proposal of the Government for primary education. A brother proposed a coalition of all anti-clerical parties to struggle for secular education. A change, he said, had taken place in the country, which understood that public education ought to be the pivot of politics.

A representative of the Grand Lodge of Maryland was received.

M. W. Bro. Fernand Cocq was elected National Grand Master for the triennial period 1911-1913.

The Grand Master pronounced a eulogy on Past Grand Master Henri Berge, who, he said, had served Masonry with fidelity, devotion and abnegation.

At a meeting of the Fraternal Circle of the orient of Ostende, a brother spoke on the science of religion. Matter, he said, is only the result of certain physical and chemical conditions, which after a time engender life. Another spoke of the evolution of matter, which, he said, was a colossal reservoir of intra-atomic energy, the instable forms of which are heat, light, electricity, etc.

On the 19th of October, 1909, the Lodge La Constance, of Louvain, celebrated its centennial and dedicated a new temple. The orator of the occasion said Masonry had existed in Louvain since 1720; but few traces of the early lodge were in existence. There was an oration by the Abbe Froidement and a list of the original members, who consisted for the most part of dignitaries of the church and members of the nobility. A lodge was formed in 1804 under the name of The Disciples of Solomon, but it was extinguished during the revolution of 1830.

The Lodge La Constance was founded in 1807, and was recognized by the Grand Orient of France in the following year. It had 30 members in 1807; in 1812 there were 100. In 1837 the bishops launched an anathema

against it; but there were 52 initiations that year; and though beaten about on the stormy sea, it has prospered till the present time.

At the request of Turkish Masons, the Grand Orient of Belgium issued a circular to the Masonic powers of the world expressing regret at the bloody conflict then raging between Turkey and Italy without any attempt to submit the cause of quarrel to the International Tribunal at The Hague. To this the Grand Orient of Italy replied that its members were astonished that the Grand Orient of Belgium could issue such a circular, because that war was different from others, and arbitration was impossible.

The communications of the Grand Orient of Belgium are occasional. No attempt has been made to separate the work done at the different sessions.

Bro. Fernand Cocq is Grand Master.

Bro. Nyns La Gye, Rue du Persil, Brussels, Grand Secretary.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

The forty-first annual communication of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia was opened at Vancouver June 20, 1912. F. J. Burd Grand Master. Lodges represented 52; unrepresented 2. Fifteen Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. W. Dalby, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

The address of the Grand Master was mainly a report of work done during a very busy year.

He had ruled that in conferring the Entered Apprentice or Fellowcraft degree each candidate must be taken separately through the ceremony up to the time when he is asked to retire. In the third degree each candidate must be taken separately through the entire ceremony.

He had issued a circular impressing upon the officers of private lodges the importance of keeping and carefully preserving lodge records, especially minute books.

He had refused all dispensations to permit Masonic clothing to be worn at dances; but, following precedent, he had issued such dispensations for church parades, though he held the wearing of Masonic cloth-

ing at such times to be wrong, because the lodge is not then at labor.

Dispensations had been issued for the formation of nine new lodges, and these had all been formally instituted during the year, by himself or by his deputies. Three Masonic halls had been dedicated; and six corner stones laid. In addition to these ceremonies he had visited lodges in various parts of the province, so that his year was one of exceptional activity.

Among the recommendations of the Grand Master are the following:

That the requirement that Worshipful Masters elect be examined and found well skilled in our laws, our noble science and royal art, and duly instructed in our mysteries before they are installed, be rigidly enforced, and not slighted as is too often done.

That in accordance with Section 60 of our Constitution District Deputy Grand Masters who have faithfully, zealously, impartially, and at much loss of time and money performed their duties as laid down in Sections 48 to 57, be granted the title of Right Worshipful. This, I believe, has not been done since our Constitution of 1903. To the laborer who is worthy of his hire let this due be paid, and that ungrudgingly.

Both of these recommendations will surely commend themselves to good Masons. It is not to be expected that a Master who cannot perform the duties of a Master can promote the welfare of a lodge over which he presides. As to the second recommendation, it ought to be plain that a brother who has been the deputy of the Grand Master within his district, who has performed many of the duties of the Grand Master, who has given liberally of his time, and generally spent a good deal of his own money in the performance of his duties, should have his service and his sacrifice recognized by the title of Right Worshipful. The committee on the Grand Master's address reported against the recommendation, and the report of the committee was adopted.

On the recommendation of the Grand Master Bros. Robert Freke Gould and W. J. Chetwoode Crawley, the eminent Masonic historians, were made honorary members, with the rank of Past Grand Warden.

From the report of the Grand Secretary we learn that of the relief granted by private lodges no less than forty-five per cent was expended for the relief of transients.

The chairman of the committee on Foreign Correspondence is R. W. Bro. W. A. DeWolf Smith, who presumably writes the report. Bro. Smith is as full of Masonic lore as an egg is of meat, and his reports are fairly illuminated with the results of his Masonic studies. But if he freely corrects his brethren, he always does so with courtesy. Bro. Miller of Kansas had professed to quote from the English Book of Constitutions that: "The office of Grand Master should not be held by any one of less degree than a peer of the realm." To this Bro. Smith replies: "There is no such rule * * * We have no doubt that he, like many of our brethren in the United States, being unfamiliar with English practice, has confounded the two offices of Grand Master and Pro Grand Master. In the constitution of 1910 (the latest we have) there are no qualifications specified for the Grand Master, but there are for the Pro Grand Master, as follows: The Grand Master, if a prince of the blood royal, may appoint a Pro Grand Master, who shall be a peer of the realm."

It may not be uninteresting to add that, in 1723, when the Duke of Wharton was Grand Master, Anderson's Constitutions provided that:

No brother can be a Warden unless he has pass'd the part of a Fellow-Craft; nor a Master until he has acted as a Warden, nor Grand-Warden until he has been Master of a Lodge, nor Grand Master unless he has been a Fellow-Craft before his election, who is also to be nobly born, or a gentleman of the best fashion, or some eminent scholar, or some curious Architect, or other Artist, descended of honest Parents, and who is of singular great Merit in the Opinion of the Lodges.

Bro. Smith is uneasy about the manner in which the ballot for candidates is taken in this jurisdiction. He says:

They have a remarkably clumsy way of balloting for candidates in Canada. Two ballot boxes are used, and occasionally the number of balls in one box does not tally with the number in the other. To avoid trouble from this cause the Master and Wardens will, in future, count the balls in each box and see that they agree. No doubt it will be part of the duty of the examining committee to see that the Worshipful Master-elect is an expert arithmetician before certifying to his fitness for installation. The ballot boxes, too, must be procured from the Grand Secretary or the election is invalid.

Which narrative is decorated with conspicuous and ornate inexactitude. It is not required that the balls in the two boxes tally: all that is demanded is that

there shall be enough black balls and enough white balls to supply each member present with one of each kind. It is not required that the balls be counted, but the Wardens and the Master inspect the box to see if enough black balls have been cast to reject the candidate. If the ballot boxes are not procured from the Grand Secretary the election is not invalid. Many lodges use ballot boxes not secured from the Grand Secretary.

Bro. Smith courteously corrects our statement that "there is a lodge at Jerusalem, warranted by the Grand Lodge of England." He says: "There is a lodge on the English register called 'King Solomon's Temple,' and we believe the intention is at some time to move it to Jerusalem. At present, however, we understand the lodge is at Chester, England." Thanks for the correction.

Bro. Smith's report covers 160 pages, and is bright and interesting.

Lodges in British Columbia 64, including eight under dispensation; members 5,776, an increase for the year of 755.

J. M. Rudd, Nanaimo, Grand Master.

W. A. DeWolf Smith, Box 189 New Westminster, Grand Secretary.

CALIFORNIA

The sixty-third annual communication of the Grand Lodge of California was opened at Los Angeles October 8, 1912. Alonzo J. Monroe Grand Master. Ten Past Grand Masters were present.

In opening his address the Grand Master paid a high tribute to the character of Los Angeles. It had, he said, "no slum or red light district." He added that that was a boast which could not be made of any other city of equal population in the United States.

During the year four lodges under dispensation had been constituted and consecrated; and dispensations for the formation of eleven new lodges had been issued.

The Grand Lodge of California maintains two homes—one at Decoto for the aged, and one at San Gabriel for boys and girls. Both of these elicited the commendation of the Grand Master.

A committee has been formed for the purpose of raising an endowment fund for these charities. It is hoped that this fund may reach the sum of \$1,000,000.

Bro. Monroe had been very active in visiting his brethren throughout the state, to learn their needs and to judge for himself of the progress of the craft throughout the state. He had personally visited more than forty of the Masonic districts.

He had written to one of the California Senators at Washington respecting the order of the War Department forbidding the use of Masonic emblems on Monuments in National cemeteries; and had received a reply that the obnoxious order had been "modified so as to permit of the cutting of insignia or emblems of fraternal societies on such monuments."

The state of the craft in California, Bro. Monroe reported, was good. The membership had grown; funds were in good shape; charities had increased; and eleven new lodges had received dispensations. He added:

But more gratifying than our material progress is the constant growth and development of our Masonic ideals and obligations; for in this respect also there is continual advance. Masons are more and more exerting their influence and efforts for the improvement of the moral and social conditions where they have their homes.

He recommended an amendment of the constitution requiring a candidate to give evidence in open lodge that he is proficient in the lecture of the third degree before he can be entitled to the rights and privileges of a Master Mason. We do not learn that action was taken on this recommendation. It does not seem to be just. A man is proposed, accepted and receives the three degrees. His money is taken. Then he is informed that something more is required before he can enjoy the privileges of Masonry. It is not only not just, but it is not necessary. He is just as valuable a member of his own lodge without as with the lecture of the third degree. Without it he may deprive himself of the privilege of visiting; but that does not injure the lodge. Masonry should carefully guard itself against anything which looks like sharp practice.

The following extract from the conclusion of Bro. Monroe's address is well worth reproducing here:

In a few days we will return to the several homes from which we came. Again, as in the past, we will assemble around the altars in our respective lodges, not for selfish ends, nor to gratify appetite or passion, but that we may "reason of righteousness, and temperance, and the judgment to come." We will meet to renew our strength and quicken our zeal for the performance of the high duties of life. We will assist one another to rise nearer to the full height of Masonic character. As we came to our temples in the first place "uninfluenced by mercenary motives and with a sincere desire to be serviceable to our fellow creatures," and to learn to subdue our passions, so we will hope and strive to continue. At our altars we seek the humility and reverent spirit that is vouchsafed us through prayer. To those we admit to our brotherhood we will present the lambskin apron as an emblem of innocence and the badge of a Mason, the greatest distinction that men can bestow, and which should consecrate him who wears it to the highest purpose of man on earth, the elevation of his character. In our fraternal intercourse with our brethren and the world we will strive in our lives to exemplify the manly virtues of temperance, fortitude, prudence and justice; and we will endeavor to obey the injunction given by King David on his deathbed to his son Solomon, afterwards our first Grand Master, "Be ye therefore strong and show yourself a man."

During the year the card index system of registration was established in the office of the Grand Secretary, and all the officers of Grand Lodge appear to be much pleased with it. The report of the committee says:

The scheme of indexing adopted consists of cards, each bearing a number and the name and Lodge of a member. These cards are filed in a steel filing case, arranged in alphabetical order, with one thousand subdivisions of the alphabet. Books have been provided, of heavy linen paper, with ruled lines, each line bearing a number to correspond with a card number, with headings for name, date of affiliation, lodge of which last a member, age at initiation, occupation, where born, residence (city or town), dates of initiation, passing and raising, dates when dimitted, suspended, expelled, restored, died, and an additional column for remarks. A copy of all the above information is kept in sheet form, arranged by lodges, and filed in a steel document-filing case, and in the event of a Lodge losing its records by fire or otherwise, the Grand Secretary can supply the record of members.

The steel cases and the cards for installing the system cost about a thousand dollars.

The two Masonic homes of California receive very careful attention, and the reports dealing with them are ample and of surpassing interest. The two properties have cost nearly \$400,000. The average cost of maintaining an adult at the Decoto home was \$165.82, and of a child at the San Gabriel home \$270.58.

M. W. Bro. Edward H. Hart continues the Foreign Correspondence with his customary ability, filling two hundred pages with closely-printed matter which gives the reader a good idea of all that is going on in the Masonic world. Bro. Hart does not criticise nor dogmatize; but he gets all that is best out of the Proceedings he reviews.

The condition of Masonry in California is thus summarized by R. W. Bro. John Whicher, the efficient Grand Secretary.

At the close of the last annual communication there were 341 chartered Lodges on the roll of Grand Lodge. Since then, as indicated above, eleven new lodges have been formed, making the total number now on the roll 352. The membership last year was 45,836. It is now 48,315, a gain of 2,479. There were initiated 3,266, passed 3,156, raised 3,063, affiliated 1,023, restored 91, withdrawn 923, suspended for non-payment of dues 474, suspended and expelled for unmasonic conduct 25, died 609.

William P. Filmer, 330 Jackson street, San Francisco, Grand Master.

John Whicher, 412 Hewes building, San Francisco, Grand Secretary.

COLORADO

The fifty-second annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Colorado was opened at Denver September 17, 1912. H. W. Woodward Grand Master. Lodges represented 119; unrepresented 5.

Representatives of 51 foreign Grand Jurisdictions were received and welcomed, including M. W. Bro. James R. Killian, Representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada. In welcoming them the Grand Master said: "Your presence here to-day as the accredited representatives of your various jurisdictions is the visible evidence of that fraternal tie that binds us with an indissoluble chain of sincere affection into one band of brothers * * * not as lodges or jurisdictions * * * but as Masons wherever dispersed."

The address of Most Worshipful Brother Woodward was a business document, but full of interest. It spoke of harmony, prosperity and progress. There had been a gratifying increase in members, the finances of Grand Lodge were in good shape, and the outlook for the future encouraging.

Among the deaths for the year was that of Andrew

Sagendorf, who was born in 1828, initiated into Masonry in 1856, and was elected Grand Master in 1883. He was not only one of the fathers of Colorado Masonry, but was one of the pioneers of the Pike's Peak country, having tramped overland from Omaha to the mouth of Cherry Creek in 1858. His account of the beginning of Masonry in Colorado is as follows:

The first meeting of Masonry in Denver was held in W. G. Russell's cabin on Perry Street, near the site of the first bridge, early in November, 1858. The exact date I cannot give. Of those present I remember Jim Winchester, Bob Willis, Henry Allen, Judge Slaughter, Samuel Bates, W. G. Russell, C. H. Blake, O. E. Lehow, J. D. Ramage and myself. Doubtless there were others present, whose names I am now unable to recall. Brother Winchester presided at that meeting; but as he was absent much of the time, Bro. Henry Allen generally occupied the Worshipful Master's station. No stated time or place of meeting was observed; it was generally once a week and at the most secure and convenient cabin.

These meetings were kept up quite frequently during the winter of 1858-59 and the spring of the latter year. In the summer but few meetings, if any, were held until the dispensation for Auraria Lodge was received. Auraria was the first lodge organized in Colorado, and it grew out of those informal meetings held in the fall of 1858. Denver Lodge No. 5, A. F. & A. M., is the legitimate successor of Auraria Lodge.

The first dispensation for the organization of a Masonic lodge in Denver was granted on October 1, 1859, by Brother Richard R. Rees, Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the then Territory of Kansas.

One lodge was consecrated during the year by M. W. Bro. Woodward, and dispensations were granted for the formation of three new lodges.

He had "refused all requests for dispensations for lodges to attend church in a body."

In compliance with a resolution of Grand Lodge, he had taken steps to enter into fraternal relations with the several German Grand Lodges, but the interchange of representatives had not been finally settled.

He approved of affiliation with the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada. The expense to Colorado would be \$75 or \$80 a year, and the benefit would be great.

In recommending a change in the Grand Lodge by-laws Bro. Woodward said, "Many of our lodges do not receive a visit from a Grand Lodge officer oftener than once in two or three years, and necessarily the

officers of these lodges are not familiar with the proper forms and ceremonies to be observed on such occasions." And that is a condition which should not be permitted to continue.

The committee on Foreign Correspondence reported in favor of recognizing the Grand Lodge of Puerto Rico, and the report was adopted.

Grand Lodge approved of the action of the Grand Lodge of Mississippi in protesting against the order of the Secretary of War in forbidding Masonic emblems to be placed upon tombstones in national cemeteries while other emblems were permitted, and the Grand Secretary was instructed to take such steps as he might deem proper to assist in having the order revoked.

Before Grand Lodge closed a beautiful Past Grand Master's jewel was presented to Bro. Woodward, who suitably accepted it, and thanked the brethren of Grand Lodge for loyal support while he was in office and for unflinching kindness at all times.

Past Grand Master Lawrence N. Greenleaf presented his twenty-eighth report on foreign correspondence, and it is a good one, reviewing the proceedings of sixty-five Grand Lodges.

Referring to a decision by M. W. Macwatt that "the three lesser lights should be placed two on the north at each corner of the altar, and one at the south at the middle of the altar," Bro. Greenleaf says: "Which affords opportunity to remark that Canada seems to know what the three lesser lights are, in contradistinction to the majority of American Grand Lodges, who have grasped at the shadow for the substance, and who are content with 'representatives' of the same. Despite all that has been said on the subject by eminent scholars and ritualists, Colorado, we regret to say, is in the majority column."

In his concluding remarks Bro. Greenleaf embodies the following lines "penned during the preparation of this report:"

HANDS ACROSS THE SEA

Here's "Hands across the sea!" good sirs, here's "Hands across the sea!"

To every isle and continent where'er our brethren be.

For we are one in sympathy as we are one in name,

The self-same tools are bright with use and mystic lights aflame.

The same designs on trestle-board by which our tasks are wrought,
 Their symbol-truths impressed on heart and centered in our thought.
 For that which counts for greatest good is through the lives of each,
 Who by their acts exemplify the principles we teach.
 The world's great heart is throbbing with the spirit of unrest,
 We hear the cry that welleteth up from peoples long oppressed,
 We see the rule of Mammon and the grasping hand of greed,
 The travesties of justice and the toiler's bitter need.
 The striving for the mastery, the ever-present fear
 With nation watching nation and the war-clouds hovering near.
 And the question ever riseth as portentous signs we trace,
 What will the final outcome be and what the saving grace.
 And Masonry makes answer with its never-changing plan—
 The Fatherhood of God, the Brotherhood of Man.
 Though aeons upon aeons break upon the shores of time,
 This is the grand fulfilment and the prophecy sublime.
 This is the work on trestle-board for brethren everywhere,
 For never was there greater need for level plumb and square,
 For trowel with cement of love to strengthen and unite
 The human race in brotherhood and usher in the light!
 To all who aid this glorious work wherever they may be,
 Here's to the Craft in homeland and here's "Hands across the sea!"

Lodges in Colorado 124; members 15,532, a gain of 615.

George E. Simonton, Denver, Grand Master.

Charles H. Jacobson, Denver, Grand Secretary.

CONNECTICUT

The one hundred and twenty-fifth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut was opened at New Haven February 5, 1913. Justin Holden Grand Master. All the lodges in the jurisdiction, 110 in number, were represented. Fourteen Past Grand Masters were present; also R. W. Bro. Clarence R. Austin, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

Grand Master Holden said the year had been one of activity on the part of the several lodges in the jurisdiction, and that relations with other grand jurisdictions were in every respect cordial and harmonious, and the events of the year had been such as to strengthen fraternal ties. The corner stones of three Masonic temples had been laid during the year, and the indications were that his successor would also have the

gratification of seeing the walls of temples rise around him.

Bro. Holden had had a busy year, and had visited every part of the state. Of course, Connecticut is not a big state, and his visits did not involve long journeys.

His decisions were all interpretations of the laws of the jurisdiction. One of them is worth copying:

It is the prerogative of the Master of a Masonic lodge to appoint all committees and to be ex officio the chairman thereof. Therefore, it is not proper for a brother to name those who are to compose a committee in making a motion, and the Master is justified in refusing to take cognizance thereof.

He had appointed R. W. Isaac Huber to represent the Grand Lodge near the Grand Lodge of Canada.

September 21st, 1912, had been observed as Grand Master's day, when he and many brethren went to visit the Masonic home. He said that Connecticut had been a leader in the establishment of Masonic homes, and the management of their home had been subject of enquiry by those contemplating the establishment of homes in other jurisdictions.

Two lodges in the state (St John's Lodge, No. 3, Bridgeport, and St. John's Lodge, No. 4, Hartford) had each celebrated its one hundred and fiftieth anniversary during the year.

There had been many emergent communications of Grand Lodge for the purpose of laying corner stones and dedicating lodge rooms.

The Grand Treasurer reported receipts of \$30,000, and expenditures a little less.

The Grand Secretary reported 1,121 initiations for the year; losses 641; net gain 547; membership at the end of the year 24,281. The average membership of all the lodges was 218.

The Grand Secretary, M. W. Bro. Frank W. Havens, declined re-election, and M. W. Bro. George A. Kies was chosen in his place, both as Grand Secretary and chairman of the committee on Foreign Correspondence. Let us hope that he will do the work as efficiently and satisfactorily as Bro. Havens has done it.

A resolution was adopted requiring subordinate lodges to pay to Grand lodge \$1.25 for each member, of which 90 cents shall be for the Masonic Charity

Foundation and 35 cents for defraying the expenses of Grand Lodge. Members who have been in good standing for thirty years may be exempted from such payment if they desire. Lodges shall also remit to the Grand Lodge \$5 for each initiation, which is to be turned over to the Masonic Charity Foundation.

Grand Lodge resolved that the title of Grand Secretary emeritus should be given to M. W. Bro. Frank W. Havens, and that an annual salary of \$1,000 be paid him during the remainder of his life. A suitable recognition of the services of a good man.

Bro. Havens, in his last report of the committee on Foreign Correspondence reviews briefly the proceedings of forty-five Grand Lodges, with little comment.

Wilbur S. Comstock, East Haddam, Grand Master.
George A. Kies, Hartford, Grand Secretary.

DELAWARE

The one hundred and seventh annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Delaware was opened at Wilmington October 2, 1912. Enoch Moore Grand Master. All the lodges in the state, twenty-two in number, were represented. Thirteen Past Grand Masters present, and a large number of representatives of other Grand Lodges, not including the representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

The first important business was the dedication of the Masonic home at Wilmington, which was done by the Grand Master, with full and impressive ceremonial.

In his address Grand Master Moore congratulated the brethren on the condition and progress of the craft throughout the jurisdiction. He had visited all the lodges in the state, and had found them gradually increasing in membership, in good financial condition, and the work of the officers very satisfactory. He reported the death of M. W. Bro. John P. Allmond, who was Grand Master in 1873 and 1874.

He recommended that each lodge in the jurisdiction should be required to pay, for one year, five dollars for each candidate entered during the year, also one dollar for each member, for the maintenance of the Masonic home. In addition to this, an amendment to the by-laws of Grand Lodge was offered that, in each

year, all candidates shall pay, for support of the Masonic home, in addition to the initiation fee received by the lodges, seven dollars, which shall be forwarded to the Grand Secretary. Under the rules, this resolution goes over to the next communication of Grand Lodge.

The Grand Lodge of Puerto Rico and the York Grand Lodge of Mexico were recognized.

The committee on the Masonic home reported that at its opening, it would be free from debt, and thought that a per capita tax of one dollar a year from the members would suffice to maintain it.

M. W. Bro. Harry J. Guthrie is chairman of the committee on Foreign Correspondence, and his report, so far as it goes, is excellent. But Bro. Guthrie has a tale of woe to tell. When he came to hand his manuscript to the printers, he found that about half of it was missing, and he thinks that in the cataclysm of re-furnishing and rearranging his library, the copy was inadvertently thrown into the waste paper basket and consigned to the flames. The loss was irreparable. Requiescat in pace.

Lodges in Delaware 22; members 3,285, a net gain of 60.

Edward G. Walls, Smyrna, Grand Master.

Virginius V. Harrison, Wilmington, Grand Secretary.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

A stated communication of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia was held March 9, 1912, for the exemplification of degrees; that is, it was a lodge of instruction. It was well attended by the brethren of the District, and was highly satisfactory.

On the 10th of April a special communication was held for the purpose of laying the corner stone of the University Club building. President Taft took part in the ceremony.

The second stated communication was held May 8, 1912, for the transaction of routine business. It authorized the use of the Masonic burial service in cases where bodies are cremated, certain verbal changes in the ritual being permitted.

At the third stated communication, held September 28, 1912, an amendment to the constitution was adopted providing that no constituent lodge should meet in a building in which intoxicating liquors are sold, nor should any lodge permit the sale of liquors in any part of its property.

The Grand Master was able to congratulate the brethren upon substantial growth in membership, peace and cordiality among the brethren, amicable relations with all Masonic powers, financial health, and active benevolence on all sides. He added:

As an order we have made material and Masonic progress. Our to-day is better than our yesterday, and our earnest prayers and well-founded hopes are that our to-morrow shall be better than to-day. Our prayers will avail, our hopes end in fruition, if we live up to the vows we have taken, remain true to the faith that is in us.

Material progress had been made during the year in raising a fund for the erection of a Masonic home. Nearly all the Masonic lodges, and chapters of the order of the Eastern Star, had pledged \$3 per member, and the other lodges were actively engaged in raising "as large an amount as possible." The home, when finished, will accomodate from seventy-five to a hundred guests.

The Grand Master suggested the appointment of a committee to aid brethren to get employment.

He had declined to grant permission to pass six brethren in one day, because the Constitution forbade it, and he had no power to override the Constitution.

He had permitted a lodge to receive and act upon a petition from a man who had been a resident of the District of Columbia, and who had been absent for several years in the service of the Federal Government, but who had not gained a residence for Masonic purposes in any other place.

A charter was granted for the formation of a new lodge, to be known as East Gate Lodge.

At the St. John's day communication, held December 27, 1912, Charles E. Baldwin was elected Grand Master, but was not then installed.

M. W. Bro. George W. Baird continues the Foreign Correspondence, with his accustomed ability, reviewing the proceedings of 72 Grand Lodges and filling 147

pages with interesting reading. His views on the liquor question are well put. He says:

The subject of prohibition seems still to be agitating several Masonic jurisdictions, and has, we fear, already been carried too far. There is apt to be a reflex action which may be equally intemperate in the other direction. We complain, very properly, when strikers use force to prevent other men from working for wages which they, the strikers, have decided insufficient, but it is just as inconsistent to prohibit all men from providing the least amount of stimulant because some particular intemperate men have abused the privilege. There is law in every state to punish drunkenness; there is also law to punish the vendor for selling stimulants to an intoxicated individual. The cravings of nature are stronger than any other impulses. When such men are deprived of one stimulant they naturally seek a substitute. The sale of opium, cocaine, hasheesh, absinthe, etc., has invariably increased in localities where the sale of alcoholic stimulants is prevented. Simultaneously the "speakeasies" come into existence. The liquor question would never come into Masonry if intemperate men were kept out of it.

Bro. Baird says we "made a mistake in noting that the War Department forbade the engraving of only Masonic emblems on tombstones in national cemeteries: the order forbade all fraternal or secret society insignia; but the order has been modified." We are glad to have the correction. When our report was written we had before us a letter from Senator Perkins of California to the Grand Master of California "in relation to the order of the War Department prohibiting Masonic emblems on monuments in national cemeteries;" also a letter to Senator Perkins from the Quartermaster-General of the United States army "concerning the War Department order prohibiting the placing of Masonic emblems on monuments in national cemeteries." We used the phrase employed by those gentlemen.

Bro. Baird also takes exception to our criticism of the chain letter sent out from Canton, Ohio, asking for contributions toward a monument to Mr. McKinley. He had never heard of it before, and doubts our statement of the case. Well, the matter has been subject of discussion for two or three years, and it is strange that Bro. Baird should have overlooked it. The chain letters were sent into Canada, though more than one Grand Master has condemned such methods of getting money. These letters asked for money to be used for building a monument to ex-President McKinley, though

the monument was built and paid for. They asked that the money should be sent to Judge Day, Canton, Ohio. The Canadian Grand Secretary wrote to Judge Day at Washington, but received no reply. Subsequently a statement was published, professing to be written by Judge Day, of the Supreme Court, saying that, though the monument was completed and paid for, the money was needed for its endowment; and that he had authorized somebody at Canton to open the chain letters addressed to him. Bro. Baird thinks that to condemn that sort of thing is to "discuss the politics of a foreign nation." Well, let it go at that.

Still further, Bro. Baird says:

Most Worshipful Brother Freed regards the International Bureau in Switzerland as "another begging scheme," though he states its purpose correctly. It is not fair to blame the offences of the Grand Orient of France on the Swiss Grand Lodge, either. Nor can we discover that either of them has eliminated "the Great Architect of the Universe" from its ritual though some of the Grand Orients permit (but do not compel) the Great Light to be removed from the altars in their lodges.

We have not in any way nor to any extent criticised the Grand Lodge of Switzerland, a body with which the Grand Lodge of Canada maintains fraternal intercourse. Nor have we blamed the offences of the Orient of France on the Swiss Grand Lodge. Nearly all the English speaking Grand Lodges in the world have ceased to recognize the Grand Orient of France on the grounds stated. It has remained for Bro. Baird to discover that they are all wrong.

Lodges in District of Columbia 29; members 9,317, a gain of 231.

Charles E. Baldwin, Masonic Temple, Washington, Grand Master.

Arvine W. Johnston, Masonic Temple, Washington, Grand Secretary.

ENGLAND

At the annual grand festival of the Grand Lodge of England, held April 24, 1912, proclamation was made that the Duke of Connaught had been elected and installed Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of England for the then ensuing year. Proclamation was also made that Lord Ampthill

had been appointed Pro Grand Master; and the Right Hon. T. F. Halsey Deputy Grand Master. The other grand officers were then invested by the Pro Grand Master.

The Pro Grand Master said it would be noticed that the appointments to honorary past rank were fewer than for several years past. This was because exceptional circumstances had made them more numerous than usual of late, and it was feared that these honors were coming to be looked upon as common and cheap. He added:

It is a high honor for any Mason to hold any office in the Grand Lodge of England. That was the old idea and it is the idea which we wish to see revived. No brother, whatever his social rank or position outside of Masonry, need think it derogatory to his ability to accept any office in Grand Lodge. It ought to be sufficient to any Mason to be a Grand Officer of the Grand Lodge of England, and although there are gradations of rank and precedence for the necessary purposes of ceremonial, those distinctions ought not to arouse the slightest envy or pride in the breast of any true Mason. Grand officers are grand officers, and to that extent there is equality among those who have been singled out from the thousands of their brethren, and recommended for a distinction of which any man who understands and adheres to Masonic principles may be proud. No brother has a right to be promoted to office in Grand Lodge either by virtue of seniority, or for any other reason which can be mechanically defined. The only right in the matter is that of the Grand Master who is elected to his office by the votes of fifty thousand members of Grand Lodge, in order that he may exercise his discretion in matters which cannot be decided by popular vote, or by rule and rote.

At the quarterly communication held in June a hundred guineas were voted to Star in the East Lodge, at Zante, to assist in relieving distress caused by earthquake.

The death of M. W. Bro. the King of Denmark was noted. He was Honorary Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England.

An appeal brought at the same communication against action by Gen. Sir O'Moore Creagh, District Grand Master of the Punjab, furnished an amusing commentary on Rudyard Kipling's poem of his "Mother lodge out there." The Lodge of Industry No. 1485, Lahore, was composed largely of Hindoo and Mohammedan members, there being only four Europeans in it. The Asiatics got to quarreling: the Hindoos black-balled the Mohammedans, and the Mohammedans black-balled the Hindoos. Then the District Grand Master stepped in and suspended the lodge. This brought the unbrotherly bre-

thren to terms; they promised to be good; the warrant was restored, and the lodge became a cave of harmony. This writer is informed, by the way, that Rudyard Kipling never was a Mason "out there," but was brought to light in England, and that his account of his "mother lodge" is liberally watered with poetic license.

At the quarterly communication held in December the Duke of Connaught was again nominated for the office of Grand Master; and, there being no other nomination, he was declared elected.

Hitherto all moneys of the Grand Lodge have been deposited in the Bank of England. At this communication the Board of General Purposes proposed an amendment to the constitution providing that "All moneys belonging to Grand Lodge shall be deposited in such bank as the board may from time to time determine, subject to the confirmation of Grand Lodge." When an explanation was asked for the reply was that the Bank of England was "very conservative in its operations, and very chary of allowing interest on money deposited." Therefore it was thought wise to get power to deposit the cash with more liberal-minded banks.

The order of precedence among officers in a subordinate lodge was declared to be as follows: W. Master, Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Chaplain, Treasurer, Secretary, Senior Deacon, Junior Deacon, Director of Ceremonies, Assistant Director of Ceremonies, Almoner, Organist, Assistant Secretary, Inner Guard, Stewards. It was added: "The foregoing order of appointment and investiture gives no brother the right to claim advancement by rotation. The appointment of all officers, except the Treasurer and Tyler, is in the sole discretion and power of the Worshipful Master."

At the quarterly communication held in March, 1913, a real election of a Treasurer took place. The votes cast numbered 16,536, and then only one third of the brethren entitled to vote cast their ballots.

A sum of one hundred guineas was contributed to the fund for the benefit of the relations of the victims of the Antarctic disaster. It was stated incidentally that Captain Scott was a Freemason.

At the quarterly communication held March 5, 1913, the Duke of Connaught was re-elected Grand

Master. In seconding the motion for his election W. Bro. G. Rowland Blades said: "It can be said of His Royal Highness as I am sure it cannot be said of any other brother in our order, that he has a brother, a nephew, a grandfather, five grand-uncles, and two great-grand-uncles who were all rulers in the craft."

At the annual grand festival, held April 30, 1913, the Duke of Connaught was formally proclaimed Grand Master. His Royal Highness could not be present, and announcement was made that he had been privately invested. Lord Ampthill was re-appointed Pro Grand Master.

At the quarterly communication held June 4, 1913, announcement was made of the death of R. W. Bro. Field Marshal Viscount Wolseley.

The Grand Master, the Duke of Connaught, was present during part of the proceedings, and while on the throne he invested as past Grand Warden the Lord Mayor of London, Sir David Burnett.

The President of the Board of General Purposes announced the success of a very delicate mission to negotiate with the Grand Orient of Brazil. He said:

For some years representations have been made to the M. W. Grand Master to the effect that English Freemasons resident in Brazil found it difficult to reconcile their association with the Freemasons of that country with strict adherence to the principles of English Freemasonry, these being a full acknowledgment of the G.A.O.T.U. and abstention in lodge from religious and political controversy. They were treated with great courtesy and accorded complete liberty in the practice of the English ritual and Masonic custom, but they felt that, as long as they were under the absolute jurisdiction of the Grand Orient of Brazil, they might be held to share the views regarding religion which prevail among Brazilian Freemasons, and responsibility for their actions in the matter of religion and politics. They, therefore, were, above all, desirous that their distinctive attitude should be made manifest, and that they should be so separately constituted that no doubt could rise as to their right to be received fully as brethren in English lodges.

A suggestion had been made that the English lodges might be constituted into a Provincial Grand Lodge; but it was felt that this could not be granted and ought not to be asked. We are not told exactly what arrangements were made, but they appear to be satisfactory. The report says:

It was found impossible to obtain the Grand Orient's as-

sent to the establishment of the direct jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of England in the territory of Brazil, but an agreement was concluded which in the opinion of the Grand Master will in effect secure independence for the Lodges in Brazil composed of British subjects, and ensure the regularity of their working in conformity with the principles of English Freemasonry.

A sum of a hundred guineas was contributed to the Abercorn memorial at the West London hospital, which will be a memorial to the late Duke of Abercorn, who was for thirty-eight years Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ireland.

Sir Edward Letchworth is Grand Secretary, and his address is Freemason's Hall, London.

FLORIDA

The eighty-third annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Florida was opened at Jacksonville January 16, 1912. Albert W. Gilchrist Grand Master. Lodges represented 179; unrepresented 27. Seven Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. Silas B. Wright, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

During the year two special communications were held, for the purpose of attending funerals of deceased officers of Grand Lodge.

Six lodges under dispensation were constituted and consecrated; and dispensations were granted for the formation of eight new lodges.

The Grand Master permitted lodges to appeal in a number of cases to the craft throughout the state for assistance to needy and deserving brethren. In each case the lodge had already aided the needy brother to the extent of its ability. The Grand Master directed that the name of the applicant for relief should not be inserted in the appeal, "as such would necessarily humiliate him and his relatives."

A number of rulings were made, mostly interpretations of local Masonic law. A lodge applied for and received a dispensation to confer a degree within the legal limit. It was not used and the lodge asked that the fee for the dispensation be returned. The Grand Master ruled that the fee was for the dispensa-

tion, and, this having been issued, the money could not be returned to the lodge.

When a lodge in Florida confers a higher degree upon a brother from a foreign jurisdiction by courtesy, the lodge must notify the Grand Master of Florida, who will notify the Grand Master of the foreign jurisdiction. That means that all correspondence between bodies of craft Masons in different jurisdictions must pass through the Grand Masters.

The committee to which the Grand Master's address was referred approved all his acts and decisions. It called the attention of Grand Lodge to the advisability of adopting some method of dealing with appeals for aid to needy brethren. May we be permitted to suggest that, when a private lodge is unable to relieve the distress of its members, Grand Lodge should perform the duty?

The committee concluded its report by saying:

We congratulate the Grand Lodge upon the efficiency, competency and capable manner in which the duties of this office have been performed by our M. W. Grand Master. Although he is at this time charged with and is performing the duties of governor of the great state of Florida, he has in addition to those duties capably, promptly and efficiently performed the duties of Grand Master of Masons of this state.

The Grand Master had received an inquiry as to the method to be followed in forming a lodge, warranted by the Grand Lodge of Florida, in Buenos Ayres, Argentina. This was referred to a committee, which reported that, though Argentina is unoccupied territory, it is not prudent nor wise to grant charters to lodges so far removed from the Grand Lodge.

Nearly \$20,000 has been received for the establishment of a Masonic Home and Orphanage.

An assessment of twenty-five cents on each member in the jurisdiction was ordered for benevolent purposes.

M. W. Bro. Silas B. Wright continues the report on Foreign Correspondence with his accustomed ability, and presents a valuable document of 226 pages. His summary of Masonic events throughout the year is particularly interesting.

Lodges in Florida 209, including three under dispensation; members 10,131, an increase for the year of 627.

Albert W. Gilchrist, Tallahassee, Grand Master.

Wilber P. Webster, Jacksonville, Grand Secretary.

The eighty-fourth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Florida was opened at Jacksonville January 21, 1913. Albert W. Gilchrist Grand Master. Lodges represented 190; unrepresented 19. Nine Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. Silas Wright, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

The Grand Master reported the fraternity in Florida to be in excellent condition. He added:

The Grand Lodge was organized in July, 1830, at Tallahassee, there being only three lodges, twenty-seven enthusiastic brethren being present. In 1832 there were four lodges with a membership of 116. At our last annual grand communication the report of our R. W. Grand Secretary showed that there were 10,131 Master Masons, 206 chartered lodges and 3 under dispensation.

He was glad to be able to state that there had been no deaths among grand officers for the year.

There had been two special communications of Grand Lodge during the year, both for the laying of corner stones.

Ten lodges under dispensation had been constituted and consecrated; and dispensations had been granted for the formation of eleven new lodges.

Permission had been granted to the lodge at Hot Springs, Arkansas, to solicit subscriptions in Florida in aid of a Masonic hotel and sanitarium at Hot Springs.

The everlasting liquor question was before the Grand Master again. He was asked if a man employed as bookkeeper by a firm which sold liquor might be initiated. The decision was in the negative.

Bro. Gilchrist seems to have had more than the average number of letters which need not have been written, letters which the writers would not have written if they had consulted the Masonic law of the jurisdiction. One writer asked if he might initiate a candidate who was not a citizen of the United States.

The law in Florida requires the holding of at least three "schools" or lodges of instruction each year. In 1912 four such lodges were held. Each lasted three days. The practice is to teach the work of one degree

each day, and to work that degree on an actual candidate at the evening session. This appears much superior to the plan which is followed in this jurisdiction.

A resolution was offered and referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence that "the terms of the Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, Senior Grand Warden and Junior Grand Warden shall be only one year, and that they shall not be elected as their own successors in office." The committee reported that it is the right and privilege of Grand Lodge to elect as its officers any brethren whom it might choose to elect, and that right could not be taken away by a resolution adopted in a previous year. It was, however, resolved that, as a matter of custom, the officers named ought not to be re-elected.

The Foreign Correspondence remains in the able hands of M. W. Bro. Silas B. Wright, who presents an able and interesting report. In his conclusion Bro. Wright says:

The question of "landmarks" and what they are is receiving considerable attention, and a great diversity of opinion exists as to the answer. Several Grand Lodges have adopted resolutions declaring what they are, some of them naming as many as sixty, others naming but fourteen. Several valuable articles upon this subject have been published during the year upon which we would like to comment. To do so would extend this report to an unreasonable length. The article in a recent number of the "Ars" is one of the best and worthy of our most careful study. Of the twenty-five by Mackey, but few are acknowledged as "real landmarks."

And this moves us to put forward an idea, not as a settled conviction, but tentatively and hesitatingly, for the purpose of eliciting opinion, that there are not now, and never were, any landmarks at all, as the word landmark is now used and understood. The mother Grand Lodge was formed by four lodges, three of which, probably, were operative and one speculative. The number grew rapidly, so that in 1723 there were twenty lodges in London and Westminster. George Payne was Grand Master in 1720, and he compiled the General Regulations which have become our modern constitutions. Most, if not all, of the new lodges were speculative, and the operative brethren naturally began to fear that their ancient customs and privileges would be taken from them. They did make a more perfect submission to the authority of the Grand

Lodge, but before doing so they stipulated that the rights and privileges they had enjoyed from time immemorial should not be taken away. Therefore it was "Provided always that the old Land-Marks be carefully preserv'd." And is it not likely that those old landmarks were simply the customs and laws which were dear to the operative Masons, but which might be looked upon with indifference, or even with dislike, by the new-fangled speculative Masons?

Lodges in Florida 221, including two under dispensation; members 10,794, an increase of 663.

George B. Glover, Monticello, Grand Master.

Wilbur P. Webster, Jacksonville, Grand Secretary.

GEORGIA

The one hundred and twenty-fifth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Georgia was opened at Macon October 29, 1912. George M. Napier Grand Master. Lodges represented 576; unrepresented 42. The representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada was not reported present. Four Past Grand Masters were present.

The Grand Master, in opening his address, said: "In peace, harmony, good repute, Masonry, throughout our Grand Jurisdiction has attained high place. The year has been marked by great interest and activity in all matters pertaining to the progress and welfare of the order."

Among his rulings were the following:

A man of illegitimate birth is not by reason thereof ineligible to hold office in a Masonic lodge.

A minister of the Gospel is not by reason of his calling exempt from payment of dues.

A Master of a lodge has no right to decline to inspect the ballot when it is brought toward his station. The ballot must be viewed and the result announced by the Worshipful Master and the Wardens.

Bro. Napier made more than fifty official visits to lodges in different parts of the state, and at all he was received with hospitality. On one occasion, he says, "a barbecue in a nearby grove furnished a de-

lightful repast to the brethren, who attended from the surrounding country and nearby cities and towns. This was, indeed, a great occasion for Masonry." At another place the brethren "repaired to a beautiful grove, where a fish fry had been prepared for their refreshment," and at another place they "partook of one of the greatest dinners ever spread in the state of Georgia." It is evident that the Georgia brethren do not forget the duties of hospitality.

During the year eleven lodges were consecrated, and dispensations were granted for the formation of four new lodges.

The death was announced of Bro. A. Q. Moody, who had been for many years chairman of the committee on Foreign Correspondence. Bro. Moody was an able and conscientious reviewer, and his loss will be deeply felt.

Bro. Napier congratulated the brethren on the fact that the offensive order forbidding the use of Masonic emblems in national cemeteries had been withdrawn. He had written to each Master of a lodge in the state requesting him to write, and to advise the individual members to write, to their Senators and Representatives in Congress on the subject; and like action was taken in other states, with the result that the order of the Secretary of War was revoked. Bro. Napier says: "No matter who inspired this order, or contrived to place this disgrace upon the honorable institution of Freemasonry, it was short-lived, and we sincerely hope that nothing similar will ever again disgrace the history of our Government."

The expenditures on account of the Masonic home were about \$9,500, and the receipts about the same. We do not learn how many inmates there were in the home.

On the lamented death of Bro. Moody, the chairman of the committee on Foreign Correspondence, Bro. Charles L. Bass was asked to take up the work, and that brother presents a very good report. He says: "In my work I have been guided by the idea that the duty of the foreign correspondence was to chronicle, not to criticise, review rather than recommend. And if I have gone beyond this, any criticism that has been made was done so in perfect kindness—any recom-

mendation of a different course from that observed submitted in the spirit of fraternity." Bro. Bass gives promise of being a useful member of the body of foreign correspondents.

Lodges in Georgia 634; members 36,806, a gain of 1,483.

Robert L. Colding, Savannah, Grand Master.

W. A. Wolihin, Macon, Grand Secretary.

IDAHO

The forty-fifth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Idaho was opened at Boise September 10, 1912. Frank C. Bowman Grand Master. Lodges represented 51; unrepresented 5. Seven Past Grand Masters were present; the representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada was not. In fact only twenty representatives of other jurisdictions were reported to be in attendance.

In opening his address Grand Master Bowman said: "We have had a prosperous year, and harmony prevails throughout the jurisdiction. Our relations with other jurisdictions remain cordial, and the future looks bright."

During the year the craft in Idaho had suffered a severe loss by the death of M. W. Bro. Chester P. Coburn, who was Grand Master in 1883. He was active in every branch of Masonry.

Two lodges were consecrated, a dispensation was granted for the formation of one new lodge, and two corner stones were laid.

A great many rulings were made, most of them being mere interpretations of constitutional law. One of them is worth quoting. It is as follows:

Q. Can a Blue Lodge conduct a trial of a member who is a Chapter Mason?

A. Yes. As Master Masons, you know nothing of the so-called higher degrees, and it is not only your right but your duty to prosecute any violation of the moral or Masonic law occurring within your jurisdiction. It is also right, proper, and your duty to report such violations as may come to your knowledge outside of your jurisdiction to the proper officers of such jurisdiction.

Bro. Francis Jenkins, the Grand Orator, delivered an oration, in the course of which he said:

That we may today, with your consent, penetrate the mystic past in a cursory manner, I ask you to go way back with me to where we have the first trace of man. Then let us go back and back some more, until we find man just emerging from the obscure, misty darkness of ignorance, when he was endowed with the first ray of intelligence. The thing that attracted primeval man first and most was the sun. On discovering that the sun was the source of light and the heat which gave life and growth to all things that give sustenance to life, primeval man stood in amazement marvelling at the miraculous phenomenon. He was struck with awe, and falling prone upon his face, worshiped the sun.

Since Bro. Jenkins says that his statement is true, we shall not cast doubt upon his assertion; still, as we were not present on the occasion, we shall not be sure that we have here a verbatim report of the proceedings.

Recognition was given to the York Grand Lodge of Mexico and the Grand Lodge of Puerto Rico.

Bro. George E. Knepper, chairman of the committee on Correspondence, has a good review of the Proceedings of sixty-three Grand Lodges, covering 115 pages. Bro. Knepper summarizes well and criticises sparingly.

Lodges in Idaho 58; members 3,844, an increase of 267

Ezra A. Burrell, Montpelier, Grand Master.

Theophilus W. Randall, Boise, Grand Secretary.

ILLINOIS

The seventy-third annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Illinois was opened at Chicago October 5, 1912. Delmar C. Darrah Grand Master. Lodges represented 766; unrepresented 31. Bro. S. O. Spring, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada, was present.

The Grand Master was able to point with satisfaction and pride to the progress made in Illinois, not only for the past year, but for many years. He said:

While we have instituted but eight new lodges during the year this comparatively small number is due to the fact that no dispensations were granted except where it was clearly shown that the best interests of the fraternity demanded a lodge. Our growth in the last ten years has been almost phenomenal. In 1902, the Grand Lodge of Illinois comprised 724 chartered lodges with a total membership of 63,034. The net

gain for that year was 3,367; the report which the Grand Secretary will make to you this year shows that we have 807 lodges, with a membership in round numbers of 115,000, a gain for the year of approximately 7,000. Ten years ago we had no organized charities; to-day we can refer to two splendid institutions, proving conclusively that the much boasted doctrine of brotherhood has found permanent expression among the Masons of this great state. As evidence of our material prosperity, I call your attention to the fact that all over the state splendid buildings are being erected in which to enshrine the principles of Freemasonry. During the year structures have been consecrated to masonic uses which have cost in the aggregate over one-half million dollars, a fact which testifies to the permanence of our fraternity.

Formerly the office of District Deputy Grand Master in Illinois was largely honorary and the duties undefined. Bro. Darrah instructed these brethren that they were to be what the title implied, the representatives of the Grand Master in their several districts, whose duties it would be to take the place of the Grand Master in his absence. Let us suggest that these powers and duties ought to be defined by the Constitution. It should be borne in mind that in most of the states of the republic (perhaps all) the District Lecturers perform many of the duties which fall upon the District Deputy Grand Masters in this jurisdiction.

Bro. Darrah had decided that the wearing of a truss which it was dangerous to remove, even temporarily, did not disqualify a candidate.

He had learned that lodges "were not maintaining a sufficient number of black balls in the ballot boxes," and directed that one half of the balls in each box should be black. The Grand Lodge of Canada has been severely criticised for making that very order.

The Grand Master had found that installations were frequently delayed, in some cases as much as six months after the elections. He recommended a change in the law to the effect that "the installation ceremonies shall be held within thirty days after election." This recommendation was approved by the Committee on Jurisprudence, and will be hereafter part of the law of the jurisdiction.

He recommended that those lodges which met "by the light of the moon" should change their by-laws and provide for meeting nights at fixed calendar

dates. The committee approved of this recommendation, and it will be carried into effect.

During the year he had had his "full share of trouble" from misguided brethren who used the black ball through spite or other unworthy motives. He says:

In each case which has been reported to me, I have made a thorough investigation of existing conditions and where I found that a brother was using the black ball to disturb the peace and harmony of the lodge, I served him with notice that unless he ceased his pernicious activity charges would at once be preferred against him. I am pleased to report that in every instance the offender has promised to be good, and the lodges involved are now happily at labor fulfilling their true mission in Masonry.

He found that the habit of smoking in the lodge room during business or work was a "growing evil," and he protested strongly against it. He said, "There is no more argument for smoking in lodge than in church, and no Mason of refinement and culture will do it." He added that the Master of each lodge had it in his power to stop the practice, and to exclude any brother who persisted in it.

He found that absolute uniformity of ritual did not exist throughout the jurisdiction, and also that defects existed in the authorized ritual. But he believed that the Grand Master ought not to be clothed with power to make arbitrary changes in the ritual, and he recommended the reference of the whole subject to a special committee. The board of Grand Examiners, to whom this recommendation was referred, reported in favor of the revision of the ritual by a special committee, and that the ritual, as so revised, should thereafter be subject to change only by formal affirmative action of Grand Lodge by two-thirds vote at an annual meeting. This was adopted.

The Grand Treasurer reported receipts of about \$65,000 and expenditures of \$60,000.

Highly satisfactory reports were received from the home for the aged at Sullivan and the orphans' home at LaGrange. The home for the aged appears to have cost for maintenance about \$24,000 and the children's home about \$20,000. But capital accounts are somewhat mixed with maintenance accounts. The aver-

age number of residents in the children's home was 83; of the home for the aged 90.

An unfortunate difficulty has arisen with respect to the education of the children at LaGrange. The school trustees say that, as the children are not permanent residents of LaGrange, but have been gathered from all parts of the state, tuition fees ought to be paid for their schooling. The managers of the home say that the children are permanent residents for a series of years; that the home is taxed for school purposes and for other local purposes; that the schools are maintained, in part at least, from the general treasury of the state; that the Masonic fraternity, by maintaining these children, saves the counties throughout the state from the cost of their support, and that therefore tuition fees ought not to be paid for their education. The controversy is not yet ended.

Among the distinguished visitors received was R. W. Bro. Abraham Shaw, representing the Grand Lodge of Illinois near the Grand Lodge of Canada, who acknowledged his reception in an excellent though brief speech.

M. W. Bro. Owen Scott continues his excellent work as the committee on **Masonic Correspondence**. He figures out that there are in the Grand Lodges with which Illinois is in fraternal correspondence 2,034,654 Masons, and in bodies claiming to be Masonic but not recognized by Illinois 130,838. It may be remarked, however, that in some jurisdictions the number of members is not published, therefore Bro. Scott's enumeration is to some extent guesswork.

Bro. Scott's summary of the doings of the various Masonic bodies throughout the world is full and satisfying; his comments are fair and interesting; and his whole report is full of interest. On the whole the Illinois Proceedings make a highly valuable volume.

Lodges in Illinois 807; members 115,095, a gain for the year of 7,027.

Delmar D. Darrah, Bloomington, Grand Master.

Isaac Cutter, Camp Point, Grand Secretary.

INDIANA

The ninety-first annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Indiana was opened at Indianapolis May 28, 1912. William H. Swintz Grand Master. Though this was the ninety-first communication, it marked the ninety-fifth anniversary of the formation of Grand Lodge. Lodges represented 533; unrepresented 6. Fifteen Past Grand Masters were present; also R. W. Bro. Elias J. Jacoby, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

The Grand Master and the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky were among the distinguished guests.

Grand Master Swintz congratulated Grand Lodge upon the close of "a very successful and prosperous year." He said: "The reports of the officers and special committees will show a splendid condition numerically, financially and Masonically." And again he said: "We are at peace with the entire Masonic world, and the past year has not been marred by any controversy with any sister jurisdiction."

He had declined to appoint a representative near the York Grand Lodge of Mexico, as the Grand Lodge of Indiana had not officially recognized that body. The committee on Foreign Correspondence reported that it found the situation in Mexico "so complicated that in the present unsettled political conditions, and without further information, it is impossible for us to determine the center of authority in York Rite Masonry." The committee might have added that it is impossible to determine what is "York Rite Masonry."

Four lodges to which warrants had been authorized were constituted during the year, and dispensations were granted for the formation of four new lodges.

Attention was called to the misuse of terms in Masonic communications and notices. In Indiana an assembly of a lodge is a "meeting," not a "communication;" and a regular meeting is a "stated" meeting, while a meeting of emergency is a "called" meeting.

Bro. Swintz is in favor of general conferences of representatives of all Grand Lodges in the United States for the purpose of securing uniformity in ritual, laws and procedure, but not with a view of impairing in the slightest degree the independence of the state Grand Lodges. There is, he says, "no higher authority than each individual Grand Lodge. It is a sovereign body, and its authority is supreme. But if uniformity is to be attained it must be by concerted action."

Last year a committee was appointed for the purpose of soliciting subscriptions for building and endowing a Masonic home. Up to the time of the meeting of Grand Lodge \$27,759.82 had been received, including a grant of \$5,000 from the Commandery of the state; and the committee hoped for excellent results in the near future. It is probable that a large estate will come into possession of Grand Lodge, the income from which will be available for the support of a home.

M. W. Bro. Daniel McDonald is the oldest living Past Grand Master in Indiana. He was elected to the Grand East in 1875. Bro. McDonald conducts the foreign correspondence. Next in seniority is M. W. Bro. Calvin W. Prather, who was Grand Master in 1880, and he is the excellent and efficient Grand Secretary.

Bro. McDonald gives an excellent review of the proceedings of sixty-five Grand Lodges. From his concluding remarks we take the following very interesting story of an election in the Grand Lodge of Indiana.

In 1873 Bro. Lucien A. Foote was Deputy Grand Master, and at the election in May of that year was elected Grand Master by a large vote, being a general popular favorite among the members of Grand Lodge. Brother Christain Fetta was Grand Master. After he had announced the result of the vote, that Brother Lucien A. Foote had been elected Grand Master, a brother in the Grand Lodge arose and said: "I object to Brother Foote serving as Grand Master. He is not eligible. He has never served as Master of a subordinate lodge." In all the long years I have been a member of the Grand Lodge, I never saw such consternation and bewilderment as there was on that occasion. Brother Foote, whose seat was on the right of the Grand Master, with his long white hair and flowing white beard, arose and in a sad and solemn tone of voice said: "The objection is valid. I have always served as Secretary of my lodge and was never elected Master." Grand Master Fetta was much affected, and tear drops were seen to flow

from his eyes. He had but one thing to do—order another ballot, which he did. The ballots were about all cast for him (Brother Fetta) and he was re-elected Grand Master. The position of Deputy being vacant, and I being next in line, was elected Deputy Grand Master.

Before the Grand Lodge closed, Gen. M. D. Manson, representing the lodge to which Bro. Foote belonged arose and said: "Brethren of the Grand Lodge: Brother Foote having been declared ineligible to the office of Grand Master on account of never having been elected Master of his lodge, I desire to say that we will go home from this Grand Lodge, and at the next election we will elect Brother Foote Master of his lodge, and we will be here next year and will elect him Grand Master." General Manson's prediction proved true. Brother Foote was chosen Master of his lodge, and the following year he was elected Grand Master.

Lodges in Indiana 546; members 60,168. an increase of 2,669.

Elmer F. Gay, Indianapolis, Grand Master.

Calvin W. Prather, Indianapolis, Grand Secretary.

IOWA

The sixty-ninth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Iowa was opened at Burlington June 11, 1912. Louis Block Grand Master. Lodges represented 467; unrepresented 53. Ten Past Grand Masters were present.

Before the formal opening there was a public reception, the main features of which were an address of welcome on behalf of the citizens of Burlington and a reply by the Grand Master.

In his address the Grand Master announced the death, among others, of Past Grand Master Lewis Jackson Baker, who was raised in 1901 to the highest rank in the gift of his brethren.

Bro. Block said, "During the past year we have experienced a most flattering growth, having undergone a net increase of sixteen hundred members.

He recommended greater care in examining into the character and antecedents of candidates before accepting them. He added:

In some Grand Jurisdictions it is made the duty of the Master of a lodge, upon appointing a committee to investigate

the qualifications of the petitioner for the degrees, to call that committee before his station in the east, and there give them a solemn and formal admonition as to the nature and importance of the duty they are appointed to perform; and I believe that the adoption of a like regulation by our Grand Lodge could not help but do great good.

Several applications for new lodges had been received; but Bro. Block thought that with 521 working lodges in the state, there was no need of more. In fact, he said, every city, town and village of importance in the state had one or more. However, one new lodge was constituted.

He had received many letters, and felt constrained to answer them, which need not have been written if the writers had consulted the Masonic code, corresponding to our Constitution. He added: "I believe it would be a great help to the order, and promote peace and harmony among the craft, if some plan could be devised by which lodges would carry on a systematic course of instruction in Masonic law." In this jurisdiction every Master of a lodge is required, before his installation to declare that he is well skilled in the ancient charges, regulations and landmarks; but in too many cases he is not at all skilled in them. The questions which all Grand Masters and all Grand Secretaries receive prove this.

Bro. Block recommended a uniform ballot box. This, he said, ought to be simply and strongly made, and as nearly "fool-proof" as skill and science could make it.

He had had much trouble with misuse of the black-ball. He said: "I have one case under consideration where a misguided brother has openly stated that he proposed to see to it that no more candidates were elected to take the degrees in his lodge." There is only one way to deal with such a member, and that is to expel him.

There are many rulings, all being interpretations of the local law, and having local interest only.

The Grand Master is proud of the Iowa system of granting relief, which seems to be nearly the same as the Canadian system. "Our deeds of charity," says Bro. Block, "have been quietly done to those de-

pendent upon us without tearing them away from their old home ties and the circle of their life-long friends."

He laid many corner stones, dedicated a number of Masonic halls, visited lodges in all parts of the state, and attended five lodges of instruction.

He thinks the initiation fee is too low in some places, and recommends that \$30 be the minimum fee.

When Bro. Block was elected Grand Master he retired from the chairmanship of the committee on Foreign Correspondence, and asked M. W. Bro. C. C. Clark, of Burlington, to undertake the work. This Bro. Clark has done, with great ability. He says he understands the duty of the foreign correspondent to be to "fairly epitomize the proceedings reviewed, making such comments, favorable or otherwise as his experience or the bent of his mind dictates." Quoting the requirement printed in the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Canada that the work is to be "read in all lodges and preserved," Bro. Clark says, "We wonder in how many of the lodges they were read." Well, probably in about 0 lodges. It is manifestly impossible to read the whole of the volume in any lodge, and the average Master of a lodge does not care to take the trouble to select and summarize those parts which are of general interest.

Bro. Clark comes valiantly to the defence of the practice of permitting bodies of the Eastern Star to meet in Masonic lodge rooms. He says:

The Eastern Star is no innovation. It has nothing whatever to do with Masonry, is not regarded as Masonic, but certainly an organization composed of our wives and daughters and the objects of which are of the high character which this order professes can do no harm.

This sustains our whole contention. The Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Canada provides that Masonic lodge rooms shall not be used by non-Masonic bodies. The Eastern Star ladies are not Masonic; hence our constitution forbids them to use our lodge rooms. And now, perhaps, Bro. Clark will tell us how it was that a lady, presumably a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, was commissioned to write a part of the proceedings of the communication of the Grand

Lodge of Iowa, in which she narrated the doings at a lodge of instruction, told who acted as Master, what degree was worked, who was the candidate, who were in the several chairs, what music was sung, and who were the vocalists.

He holds the present writer to be in error in thinking that there is not any jurisdiction in which more than one candidate is obligated at the same time; and says he himself has "seen it done in Washington, D. C., on five." There are some who hold that every member present at the conferring of any degree should be able to know that each candidate repeats the obligation fully and correctly. Certainly it is not only the privilege but the duty of the Master to know that this is done, and if there be more than one candidate he cannot know it.

The Proceedings are beautifully printed.

There are 520 active lodges in Iowa, with 45,997 members, an increase for the year of 1,598.

William Hutchinson, Alton, Grand Master.

Newton R. Parvin, Cedar Rapids, Grand Secretary.

IRELAND

The annual stated communication of the Grand Lodge of Ireland was held at Dublin December 27, 1912. The Deputy Grand Master, Sir Charles Cameron, was on the throne. All the information we have is gathered from the address of the deputy Grand Master and the report of the Deputy Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. H. E. Flavelle.

Sir Charles Cameron said:

I have to congratulate the Order generally on the great progress that has been made. Here in Dublin, recruiting from a population of only about 70,000, we have no fewer than 50 lodges.

There never was a time, he said, at which Masonry in Ireland was so flourishing as at present. Its charities, too, were something to be proud of. When they compared the Irish school for girls, with 100 pupils, with the English school, having 250 pupils, they had reason to be proud, considering that Irish Masons had

only a million of population to draw from, (Protestants) whereas English Masons had thirty-four millions to draw from.

He suggested that a conference between the Grand Lodges of England, Ireland and Scotland, with a view of securing uniformity in the work, would be beneficial.

In view of the fact that home rule might be established in Ireland, that the Irish Parliament would be dominantly Roman Catholic, and that the Roman Catholic church is hostile to Masonry, requests were made to the British Parliament to safeguard the Masonic body by special provisions in the Home Rule Bill. The Marquess of Tullabardine very kindly consented to attend to the business, and, on his motion a clause was added to the measure as follows:

It is hereby declared that existing enactments relative to unlawful oaths and unlawful assemblies in Ireland do not apply to meetings or proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Ireland, or of any lodge or society recognized by the Grand Lodge.

A resolution of thanks to the Marquess of Tullibardine, who is Grand Master of Masons in Scotland, was unanimously passed.

In 1903 lodges in Queensland holding under the Grand Lodge of Ireland contemplated the formation of an independent Grand Lodge, and asked advice from their parent Grand Lodge. The latter replied that it would be approved if regularly formed. Thereupon the Grand Lodge of Queensland was constituted. Two years later the Grand Lodges of England, Ireland and Scotland entered into an agreement as follows:

That the question of recognizing a new Grand Lodge in any colony or other territory in which the three Grand Lodges have equal jurisdiction and have warranted lodges working therein, shall not be taken into consideration unless at least two-thirds of the lodges under each jurisdiction have signified their adhesion to such new body; and such recognition shall only be granted by agreement of the three Grand Lodges. After the recognition of such new Grand Lodge as a sovereign body, the respective authorities of the three Grand Lodges will surrender their rights to warrant new lodges within the jurisdiction of the new body, provided always that the rights of lodges not adhering to the new body shall be fully safeguarded.

Holding that this agreement was not intended to

be retroactive, and that it had already committed itself to recognition of the new body, the Grand Lodge of Ireland formally recognized the Grand Lodge of Queensland last year and arranged for an exchange of Grand Representatives.

When Grand Lodge met, on the 27th of December, 1912, the Grand Master, the Duke of Abercorn, was very ill, and a week later, on the 3rd of January, 1913, he died. He had been Grand Master for more than a quarter of a century, having been first elected in 1886. He was born in 1838. His loss will be seriously felt in Ireland. Another man who was more active in Masonry than the Duke, and who also died during the year, was Sir James Creed Meredith, who recently retired from the position of Deputy Grand Master. He was especially prominent in assisting the charities of the Grand Lodge, and leaves behind him the "Meredith Exhibition," which maintains an orphan of a Mason.

During the year four new lodges were warranted, two in Dublin, one in Donegal and one in South Africa. There are now about a thousand lodges on the register, and the annual receipts amount to about \$40,000, besides about \$3,500 of contributions for the charity fund.

H. E. Flavelle, Deputy Grand Secretary, Freemason's Hall, Molesworth street, Dublin.

KANSAS

The fifty-seventh annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Kansas was opened at Wichita February 19, 1913. William Easton Hutchison Grand Master. Lodges represented 337; unrepresented 63. Thirteen Past Grand Masters were present; also W. Bro. John C. Ketcheson, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

The Grand Master congratulated the Grand Lodge on the peace and tranquillity which had prevailed throughout the year, and, although the net gain in membership had not been up to the average, it was satisfactory. "The success and attainments of the lodge," he said, "are not wholly measured by its material increase." And he added a quotation from Emerson: "The truest test of civilization is not the census,

nor the size of our cities, nor the crops, but the kind of men the country turns out."

Last year the Grand Lodge of Kansas recognized the York Grand Lodge of Mexico as the only regular, legitimate, sovereign and independent Grand Lodge of Symbolic Masonry in the Republic of Mexico. Then the York Grand Lodge proposed to recognize one of the other bodies. M. W. Bro. Miller, chairman of the committee on Foreign Correspondence, at the request of the Grand Master, prepared an argument against this recognition, and the document was forwarded to the York Grand Lodge. And that opens up a decidedly complicated question.

During the year seven lodges were consecrated, and dispensations were issued for the formation of two new lodges.

Bro. Hutchison said: "The crowning tangible glory of Masonry in Kansas is the Masonic home in this city (Wichita.) It is the cope-stone of Masonic achievement in this state." But it needed more money; and the Board of Directors asked Grand Lodge to contribute \$10,000 from the general fund. The recommendation was referred to a committee, and we do not learn that definite action was taken.

A team of selected workers exemplified the Master Mason degree for the instruction of Grand Lodge. This is a good practice, when time can be found for the exemplification.

Many special communications of Grand Lodge were held during the year, all for the laying of corner stones.

M. W. Bro. Matthew M. Miller contributed his eleventh report as chairman of the committee on Foreign Correspondence, reviewing the proceedings of sixty-six Grand Lodges; but as a number of them were for more than one year, no less than seventy-five separate volumes of Proceedings were reviewed.

Bro. Miller has some pertinent remarks on the subject of secretaries who are active in collecting dues. He says:

For such a Secretary when his days of usefulness in such office are passed, by reason of age or infirmity, there might

well be created the position of secretary emeritus. And looking at the matter simply from the financial side, such a lodge could well consider it a square deal to consider his salary for life. And considering further on the financial side, we believe it would infuse life among the dry bones in many a lodge if the Grand Lodge would have a committee to examine the reports made by secretaries of lodges annually and report upon the question of delinquencies, requiring a report to be obtained and made separating those financially unable to pay from those who are indifferent or careless. No Mason, whose only fault is poverty, should ever be suspended by a lodge of Masons. If he is able to pay, but careless and indifferent, there is no reason why the two-year limit should not be applied.

Many prominent Masons have given much thought to this question of collecting dues, and no satisfactory solution has yet been found. Probably the best plan is to employ a collector, and give him a commission on the money he collects. Then write off the dues of those who cannot pay, and relentlessly suspend those who can pay and will not.

Bro. Miller has a valuable table, giving the number of members of regular Masonic bodies throughout the world. Some of the figures are estimates; and some of the estimates must be erroneous. For example, he gives "England's report" of membership at 190,000 for both 1911 and 1912. But England makes no report of membership. Scotland's membership for each of the same years is given at 80,000. Which would lead one to think that, though 12,552 candidates were initiated in Scottish lodges in 1911, the total membership remained unchanged. In the ten years ending with 1912, the "intrans" in Scotch lodges numbered 106,817, and we are unable to believe that the total membership at the end of the period was only 80,000.

Lodges in Kansas 402; members 38,877, an increase of 1,572.

Elrick C. Cole, Great Bend, Grand Master.

Albert K. Wilson, Topeka, Grand Secretary.

KENTUCKY

The one hundred and twelfth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky was opened at Louisville October 15, 1912. Dave Jackson Grand Master. Apparently all the lodges in the state except five were represented. Twenty Past Grand Masters were present.

The Grand Master reported peace and harmony throughout the jurisdiction, and progress and prosperity among the lodges.

He reported the death during the year of Captain Henry Banister Grant, who had been Grand Secretary for many years. He served in the cause of the South during the civil war, and was active in all branches of Masonry. He had been a Mason for sixty-one years.

Dispensations had been granted for the formation of eleven new lodges.

Bro. Jackson was very busy during his term of office; for, besides officiating at many ceremonies, he had visited no less than forty-two lodges.

He had learned that a lodge had balloted for a candidate and rejected him. Then, in the same month they had balloted for him again, elected him, and he was at once initiated. Finding the statement to be true, the Grand Master arrested the warrant of the lodge. Then a dispensation was asked for to form a new lodge, which was granted, and the new lodge was instituted, leaving out the members who had made the trouble in the old lodge.

He had visited the two homes maintained by the Grand Lodge, the Old Mason's Home and the Widows' and Orphans' Home, and was earnest in praise of both institutions.

He does not believe in "perpetual jurisdiction," but thinks each Grand Lodge has power to accept or reject any material whatever, even if such material has been rejected in another jurisdiction. His ideas are formulated in the following paragraph:

The sovereignty of this Grand Lodge touching all Masonic matters within but not outside its territorial boundary, is full and complete; and any of its subordinate lodges have the right to receive the petition of any profane or non-affiliate who is a resident of its respective jurisdiction and possesses the physical, mental, moral and residential qualifications that may be required by the constitution and regulations of this Grand Lodge. This Grand Lodge concedes the same right and power to all other Grand Lodges.

The brethren in Kentucky pay liberally for the support of the order and of the Masonic homes. The Grand Secretary reported 37,350 members at the beginning of the year and 38,782 at the end. From these he had received a total of \$86,204.54, or more than

\$2.25 from each affiliated member in the state. The ordinary Grand Lodge dues amount to one dollar a year, and the rest was for the support of the Masonic homes. Let us lift our hats to the state where "the corn is filled with kernels and the colonels filled with corn."

M. W. Bro. W. W. Clarke continues the Foreign Correspondence, and reviews the proceedings of sixty-three Grand Lodges with ability and judgment. The Canadian Proceedings had not reached him when he went to press.

We have great respect for Bro. Clarke's judgment in matters of Masonic law; but cannot stay with him to the end in the following opinion.

We only contend, as an abstract principle, that a Mason having been made a Mason by a lodge in Scotland in conformity to, and by authority of, the laws provided by the Grand Lodge of Scotland, is a regularly made Mason; that about his making there is nothing irregular; and that, therefore, however much we may regret the attitude of the Grand Lodge of Scotland he—the Mason so made—is entitled to be received and recognized as such.

The first part of that is all right; undoubtedly every Grand Lodge in the world has the right to fix the qualifications of the candidates whom it will receive; but to the last clause we decidedly object. Let us suppose that a citizen of Kentucky, rejected by a lodge at his home, should pay a short visit to Scotland, should be accepted and made a Mason there, and then return to his native state; would he be entitled to "be received and recognized" as a Mason in Kentucky? Furthermore, the phrase "entitled to be received and recognized" is misleading. The Master of every lodge has right and power to say whom he will admit as a visitor, and whom he will decline to receive and recognize.

In his concluding remarks Bro. Clarke says:

The writers of these reports are, more than anything else, struck by the evidences of a growth and expansion of the Order that is little less than marvelous, and not the least remarkable feature is that this growth is not limited to any country but is general over the world.

Lodges in Kentucky 578; members 38,782, a gain of 1,426.

Joe H. Ewalt, Paris, Grand Master.

Dave Jackson, Louisville, Grand Secretary.

LOUISIANA

The one hundred and first annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana was opened at New Orleans February 10, 1913. E. H. Addington Grand Master. Lodges represented 183; unrepresented 27. Five Past Grand Masters were present. The representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada was not.

The Grand Master plunged at once into business on opening his address. He set aside the action of a lodge which had imposed a penalty of a reprimand in a case where the accused had pleaded guilty to a charge of gross unmasonic conduct. A new trial was ordered, and in the end the name of the accused was stricken from the roll of members.

He had granted dispensations to some lodges to install in public. **He said:**

I believe other lodges have installed their officers publicly, without the formality of a dispensation. I think they had a perfect right to do so, and do not advocate taking away that^h right. While I personally do not like the idea of a public installation, there is no law nor obligation against it, and I think the Grand Lodge should legislate as little as possible regarding lodge affairs.

A lodge had accepted a petition from a man who was at the time under a charge of murder, had accepted him and initiated him. The Grand Master ordered the whole proceeding to be set aside and the name of the man to be stricken from the rolls of the lodge. He said:

In making this instruction to the lodge I did not attempt to pass upon the guilt or innocence of the party, nor do I so attempt now. However innocent he may be, he was at the time, and for any information I have to the contrary, still is, under indictment. This in my opinion constitutes the opposite of "good report." I also hold that no mere ceremonial can make a Mason of a man who is not under good report.

Warrants were issued to five lodges, and they were formally consecrated. Dispensations were granted for the formation of five new lodges.

The reports of committees on Foreign Correspondence are not wholly to the taste of M. W. Bro. Addington. He says these reports fail to supply full information as to the doings of Grand Lodges, and have developed into running comment, considerably personal in its nature, composed of trivialities

to a degree; and he recommends that the reports be held down to statements of interest, and to recommendations in cases in which the committee believe action should be taken.

The death was reported of M. W. Bro. Albert Gallatin Brice, who was Grand Master in 1896 and 1897.

W. Bro. Herman C. Duncan, the Grand Chaplain, is chairman of the committee on Foreign Correspondence; and he presents an excellent but brief report, covering the Proceedings of sixty-six Grand Lodges.

Lodges in Louisiana 261; members 15,152, a gain of 519.

Emil Sundbery, Napoleonville, Grand Master.

Richard Lambert, New Orleans, Grand Secretary

MAINE

The ninety-third annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Maine was opened at Portland May 7, 1912. Ashley A. Smith Grand Master. Lodges represented 195; unrepresented 8. Nine Past Grand Masters were present. Of the 58 representatives of foreign Grand Lodges 47 were present, not including M. W. Bro. Benjamin L. Hadley, the representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada, who, through physical infirmity, was unable to attend. It was his first absence in twenty-two years.

The Grand Master lamented the death during the year of two Past Grand Masters, William Pitt Preble, who presided in the Grand East in 1863, 1864 and 1865; and William J. Burnham, who was Grand Master in 1903.

A very interesting event—"an event unprecedented in the annals of Freemasonry in Maine"—was the celebration by Portland Lodge, No. 1, of its one hundred and fiftieth anniversary. The charter of this lodge was granted by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts on the 20th of March, 1762, and the name of Paul Revere, as Grand Secretary, appears among those of the grand officers who signed it.

Bro. Smith evidently holds to the opinion that Freemasonry is a force working in the cause of universal peace. He says:

Our masonic institution is soundly based on a fundamental human cause, the increasing sense of man's essential brotherhood. Operative Masonry to-day is concerned in building not alone temples and palaces, but chiefly the manhood of the nation. Just as the great watchword of the eighteenth century was liberty, and the great work of the nineteenth century was science, mechanical invention and organization; so the great word and supreme work of this twentieth century will be brotherhood—service. It is an era of swift and mighty changes throughout the world. Age-old monarchies like Portugal disappear in a night and unfurl the banner of a new republic to the light of dawn; Manchu dynasties sacred for countless centuries are suddenly overthrown, and liberated China awakens from its lethargy of centuries sleep, and a new era of republican government is proclaimed to the amazed and wondering world. All progress is along the line of man's essential brotherhood.

The Grand Secretary reported that the library of Grand Lodge contains 3,000 volumes, and that the quarters provided give it "ample space to grow." He says that the gain in membership is almost 2 per cent; that the death rate is 19.84 to the thousand; and that the average lodge membership is 144½.

The Grand Lodge of Puerto Rico was recognized, and the Grand Master was requested to take measures for an exchange of representatives with it.

On the evening of the second day of the communication Grand Master Smith, assisted by his officers, formally dedicated the new and beautiful Masonic temple at Portland, with imposing ceremonies.

The committee of the fraternity reported that the gains had been not simply numerical, but indicated more careful selection of material. Nearly all the districts exhibited "increase of work, advancement in strength, and a manifest desire each to excel in proficiency." The report added:

The importance of schools of instruction and district conventions is favorably considered, and their continuance recommended, tending to stimulate passive or isolated lodges to more active and vigorous effort.

M. W. Bro. Albro E. Chase is chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence, and he presents an excellent report of 106 pages. He gives little of comment or criticism, but that which he does give is always good. For example, he quotes the question of a Grand Master of Colorado.

Then again, if you attend a Christian Church, why not a Jewish synagogue or a Spiritualistic service or that of any other

denomination? Could you in fairness, refuse to attend any of these if invited?

And to this he responds, "in Yankee fashion."
"Well, why should we, as Masons, with the belief in God, refuse to attend any church which recognizes God?"

Again, the Grand Master of Delaware having said that there were 3,000 Masons in his jurisdiction, and that a per capita tax of \$1 would produce \$3,000 for the maintainance of a Masonic home. Bro. Chase says:

We wonder what proportion of the 3,000 masons require a home to live in, and whether or not the \$3,000 would comfortably support them outside of a home, and, how much of the \$3,000 will be required to meet the running expenses of the home.

There are 203 lodges in Maine, having 29,345 members, an increase for the year of 564.

Elmer P. Spofford, Deer Isle, Grand Master.

Stephen Berry, Portland, Grand Secretary.

MANITOBA

The thirty-seventh annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba was opened at Winnipeg June 12, 1912. John Wemyss Grand Master. Fifty-seven lodges were represented; fifteen were not. Four Past Grand Masters were present.

Grand Master Wemyss was able to say pleasant things to the brethren, as to conditions local and general. He said:

It is with great pleasure that I am able like my immediate predecessors to assure the brethren that peace and harmony prevail not only throughout the entire jurisdiction, but also in our relations with other jurisdictions, and have prevailed during my entire term. No cloud as large as a man's hand mars the prospect of my successor. May the kindly and brotherly feeling which prevails not merely between individuals but also between lodges in this jurisdiction, long continue. That such will be the case I have but little doubt. Fraternal visits not merely between the city lodges, but between lodges in adjacent towns, are becoming more common, and over and above the educational value of such visits, they are producing excellent results in fostering a more kindly feeling than sometimes prevails between the citizens of adjoining towns which are competitors for business, by bringing the brethren of different lodges into direct personal contact with one another, and are establishing a bond of fraternity which cannot fail to have good results.

He was also satisfied with the growth of the fraternity in numbers, and with the character of the material seeking admission to the lodges. He said:

The growth of the order during the year 1911 has been steady and substantial. The financial stringency in many of the country districts during the early part of the year no doubt militated seriously against a larger increase, and the brethren have also apparently exercised due care in accepting candidates. The increase during 1912 will probably be considerably more than that of 1911. While, however, we are naturally pleased to note a satisfactory increase in our membership, the character and standing of the candidates are of very much greater importance.

Bro. Wemyss was very active in attending to the duties of his office. He visited every part of the jurisdiction, and satisfied himself by personal inspection that the work was properly done. He believed that Masonry could not stand still, but must justify the claim that it is progressive. He said:

Masonry, in order to continue to justify its existence, must serve some distinctly useful purpose both to its members and to the world at large. None of us individually can accomplish very much, but the aggregate result of many individual efforts is enormous. Sometimes no doubt, we are oppressed by the knowledge of how small a part each of us can do, but whatever may be our sphere in life, our educational equipment or mental capacity, each of us, if he be true to himself and the obligations he has taken, true to his fellow Masons, true to the grand old craft of which we are members, must do his share. Every Mason should feel that he is personally responsible for the honor and dignity of the craft.

The financial affairs of Grand Lodge appear to be in good shape. There is an invested fund of \$25,200, and there appear to be no liabilities; there is a benvolent fund, and there appear to have been no demands upon it; and the income of the year was in excess of the expenditure.

With a financial condition quite satisfactory; with a gratifying increase in membership; with no business for the committee on Grievances and Appeals, and with no demands for charity, our prairie sister ought to be happy.

There is no report on Foreign Correspondence.

Lodges in Manitoba 73, including one under dispensation; members 5,967, an increase of 348.

William Chambers, Hamiota, Grand Master.

James A. Ovas, Winnipeg, Grand Secretary.

MARYLAND

The Grand Lodge of Maryland, headed by M. W. Bro. Thomas J. Shryock, journeyed to Easton, Maryland, on the 14th day of May, 1912, for the purpose of laying a wreath of flowers on the grave of Dr. John Coats, the first Grand Master, who was the moving spirit in forming the Grand Lodge. The earliest Maryland lodges were warranted by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and some sort of a Grand Lodge for Maryland was formed in 1783, but it appears that the organization was not completed till four years later. The ceremony of decorating the grave of Bro. Coats was simple but impressive. An address was delivered by M. W. Bro. Carter, who spoke eloquently of the virtues and good deeds of Bro. Coats. It was a good address: but we must permit ourselves the privilege of correcting Bro. Carter's scriptural quotation. He had it this way:

May you eat your bread with joy and drink your wine with a merry heart, and whether you eat or drink, may all be done to the praise and glory of God.

If our brother will refer to Ecclesiastes, ninth chapter and seventh verse, he will find the reading to be:

Go thy way, eat thy bread with joy, and drink thy wine with a merry heart; for God now accepteth thy works.

On the same day the semi-annual communication was opened at Easton, when a historical address was delivered by Oswald Tilghman, of Coats lodge; and the Grand Chaplain read a paper, prepared by R. W. Bro. Edward T. Schultz, dealing with the origin of Freemasonry. The rest of the communication was devoted to the passing of accounts and other routine business.

A special communication was held at Baltimore May 30, 1912, for the purpose of laying the corner stone of the Baltimore Polytechnic Institute, the Grand Master, Thomas J. Shryock, officiating.

The one hundred and twenty-sixth annual communication of the Grand Lodge was opened at Baltimore November 19, 1912. Thomas J. Shryock Grand Master. All lodges in the state, 114 in number, were represented. One Past Grand Master was present. The proceedings were almost wholly of a routine character, and of little

interest outside the jurisdiction. The Grand Master made only a verbal address. The Board of Relief reported that the year had been uneventful. It was added: "We have had lots of applications for positions, but in a great many cases could not place the applicants, as we had no places to give them. Many of our brethren employ people, and, when short of help, could secure good people if they would only advise us." This work of securing employment for brethren who need it is not sufficiently kept in mind. The work might be made more efficient than it is. It is better to help a man to help himself than even to give him money.

M. W. Bro. Thomas J. Shryock was re-elected Grand Master for the twenty-eighth time.

R. W. Bro. Edward T. Schultz, Grand Historian, presented an excellent report on Foreign Correspondence. In closing it he said:

And now in the eighty-sixth year of my natural life and fifty ninth year as a member of our beloved fraternity, I think I may repeat the words I said last year "that after many months of labor I find myself as fresh as when I commenced, and I think that after a few days' rest I could be ready to commence the preparation of the next year's reports." And I do not know how better to close these remarks than by also repeating the words I then used: "If this be my final conclusion, may it also be my benediction to my brethren and companions of the corps, my good friends in and out of the fraternity, and to all good Masons wheresoever dispersed."

Four months after that was written, on the 11th of March, 1913, Bro. Schultz was called to his reward. In communicating the event to the fraternity, and paying a merited tribute to the memory of Bro. Schultz, Grand Master Shryock said that no more fitting conclusion to the paper could be employed than to copy the paragraph above quoted.

The following paragraphs appeared in the Maryland report on Foreign Correspondence, under the heading "England."

"We much regret that we have not received fuller proceedings from this Grand Lodge, as we learn from a personal letter received from Bro. W. B. Melish, P. G. M. of Ohio, and present Grand Master of Templars, that Prince Arthur, son of the Duke of Connaught, Grand Master, was made a mason at sight by the Pro Grand Master. The letter of Bro. Melish

is most interesting, and we should like to quote it in full, but we did not feel like taking the liberty of doing so without asking his permission. In this letter he mentions that he was present at the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of England in April, 1911, and speaks of a pleasant interview with the Grand Master, H. R. H. the Duke of Connaught, and the Pro Grand Master, by whom he was cordially invited to be present at the ceremony to take place the following Thursday, but that previous Masonic engagements for that day compelled him to decline the invitation. He described the procedure observed at the making of President Taft a Mason at sight by the Grand Master of Ohio, to which H. R. H. said that that was about all he received when he was made a Mason.

In reply to an enquiry as to the proceedings that would be observed at the making of Prince Arthur a Mason, the Pro Grand Master replied: "The Prince will be initiated by special dispensation from the Grand Master, and will receive the three degrees of the blue lodge in about an hour and a half. I shall obligate him, giving him the S. D. G. S. and G., etc., and a short lecture, and proclaim him an Apprentice, a Fellow Craft and a Master Mason, and a member of Royal Alpha Lodge."

What will those brethren who insist that the Grand Masters of England do not now, nor have they ever claimed the right of making a Mason at sight, now say to this?"

This statement does not by any means correspond with the facts. Bro. Schultz, who wrote the Maryland report, has since passed away, and can no longer explain the error into which he fell, or into which he was led. He was totally blind, and the charitable assumption is that he misunderstood some things which were read to him. The facts are that H. R. H., the Duke of Connaught, and his son, Prince Arthur of Connaught, were both initiated, passed and raised in the usual way, with full ceremonial and just as all Masons accepted by lodges under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of England are initiated, passed and raised.

The Duke of Connaught was initiated in the Prince of Wales Lodge on the 24th of March, 1874, passed on the 23rd of June 1874 and raised on the 27th of April, 1875. On each occasion the full ceremony was performed, without the slightest abbreviation or variation from the established custom.

Prince Arthur of Connaught was initiated by the Pro Grand Master (Lord Amphill) in the Royal Alpha

Lodge on the 25th of May, 1911, passed in the same lodge by the Worshipful Master (Lord Kensington) on the 2nd of July, 1911, and raised in the Household Brigade Lodge by the Worshipful Master on the 29th of April, 1912. In each case the ceremony was exactly the same as for every other candidate for Masonry in English lodges.

Sir Edward Letchworth, the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of England, is authority for saying that the Constitution of that Grand Lodge provides that "No lodge shall confer more than one degree on any brother on the same day, nor shall a higher degree be conferred on any brother at a less interval than four weeks from his receiving a previous degree." The Grand Master has no power to grant a dispensation to any lodge in England to permit degrees to be conferred at less intervals than four weeks.

Lodges in Maryland 114; members 15,142, a gain for the year of 711.

Thomas J. Shryock, Baltimore, Grand Master.

George Cook, Masonic Temple, Baltimore, Grand Secretary.

MASSACHUSETTS

The first communication of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts for the year 1812 was held at Chelsea for the purpose of dedicating a Masonic temple. M. W. Bro. Everett C. Benton, Grand Master, conducted the ceremonies. Apart from the formal ceremony, which was conducted with impressiveness, the chief feature of the communication was an address by the Rev. Bro. Bush, who, in the course of an eloquent speech, said:

He altogether misinterprets Masonry who considers it as simply a social institution, ministering to good fellowship. Its roots reach deep down into the most sacred soil of our human nature, and in the fulfilment of its obligations man will be found to be living at his best.

No institution can endure and flourish through the ages that is not ministering to something more than a momentary fancy or pleasure. It must in some measure further the plan and purpose of the Infinite Artificer of the Universe. It must contribute to the advancement of civilization and the upbuild-

ing of character. Except such be its fundamental concept and influence, it will not survive the wreck of time, but will disintegrate and disappear.

At the quarterly communication held March 13, 1912, the chief business was a discussion of the jurisdiction of lodges in towns which by act of the legislature had been, or might be, added to the city of Boston. It was decided that a lodge in Hyde Park, which had become part of Boston, should retain its old jurisdiction, and that other lodges in Boston should have no jurisdiction in Hyde Park. It was decided not to recognize at present the Grand Lodge of Italy. The committee to whom the request was referred reported:

It is well known that there are rival grand bodies existing in the Kingdom of Italy, each claiming to be supreme and each holding that the other is illegal and is not worthy of recognition. In each of the bodies are many men who formerly have been brethren together in Masonry and who, though differing in opinion, are still members of the order in good standing. The differences between the bodies, however, have generated a most inharmonious condition, and considering the unsettled state of affairs, not only Masonically but politically, in the Kingdom of Italy, and because your committee have been unable to procure sufficient evidence of such a recognition of a Deity or a Supreme Being as is required by and is really the fundamental principle of our institution as laid down by at least all English-speaking lodges of the world, your committee are at present unable to recommend the granting of the request, and without prejudice to any application that may be made in the future by the same body, respectfully recommend that the request for recognition be declined.

At the quarterly communication held June 12, 1912, an amendment to the constitution was adopted making it incumbent on lodges to pay to Grand Lodge the sum of \$5 for each initiate, the money to be given to the Masonic Home Fund.

A quarterly communication was held in September, but no business of general interest was transacted.

The quarterly communication held December 11, 1912, was practically the annual communication. Grand Master Benton delivered his annual address, and the business of the year, except the installation of officers, was put into final shape. The Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, the Grand Master said, was at peace with the

world, and was prosperous within its own borders. Its growth during the year had been satisfactory, its membership at that date being more than 63,000. The Masonic home had been doing good work, but it had been found necessary to ask assistance from private brethren for the support of the home. He added: "Within the past fifteen months nearly or quite \$18,000 has been given to be applied directly to the maintenance of residents, while during the year ending the first of this month an equal amount has been added to the permanent fund."

Before the March communication he had invited the Duke of Connaught, Grand Master of Masons in England, to be present at that meeting; but his Royal Highness found it impossible to accept the invitation, owing to his official position in Canada. M. W. Bro. Aubrey White and a number of Past Grand Masters from the several provinces of the Dominion were, however, present.

When the Masonic Home was projected it was estimated that the 60,000 Masons in Massachusetts would contribute \$5 each within five years, making a total of \$300,000. That hope has not been realized. Nevertheless the home has been purchased. During the year the average number of residents was twenty-four, and the average cost of maintenance for each was \$748.13.

At the "stated" communication held December 27, 1912, the Grand Master was installed and other officers invested; after which the "grand feast" was held, at which there was some good speaking.

There is no report on Foreign Correspondence.

Lodges in Massachusetts 252; members 63,290, an increase of 2,446.

Everett C. Benton, Masonic Temple, Boston, Grand Master.

Thomas W. Davis, Masonic Temple, Boston, Grand Secretary.

MICHIGAN

The sixty-eighth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Michigan was opened at Detroit May 28, 1912. James E. Dillon Grand Master. Lodges represented 406; unrepresented 16. Seventeen Past Grand Masters were in attendance, and 42 Representatives of foreign jurisdictions, including M. W. Bro. John Rowson, representing the Grand Lodge of Canada.

Among the distinguished visitors was M. W. Bro. W. L. Andrews, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Virginia.

In opening his address the Grand Master said: "Freemasonry in this Grand Jurisdiction is prosperous, and it is a source of pleasure to advise you that peace and harmony now exist among the craft, and that we are in friendly relations with all our sister Grand Jurisdictions."

He had constituted and consecrated three lodges under dispensation, and issued dispensations for the formation of four new lodges.

Bro. Dillon appears to have been a very busy man during his term of office; the list of visits made for the purpose of consecrating lodges, dedicating halls, laying corner stones, and for other Masonic ceremonies, fills many pages of the report. His chief regret seems to have been that he was not able to visit each lodge in his jurisdiction. Outside of Michigan he visited Harmony Lodge, Toronto, and Washington Lodge, Buffalo. He had also attended the annual meeting of the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada, held in Pittsburg; and the meeting of the George Washington Masonic Memorial Association, at Alexandria, Va.

One of the most important ceremonies of the year was the dedication of the Masonic Home at Alma, which was conducted by the Grand Master, and was a memorable and impressive affair.

A special reception was accorded to Past Grand Masters William T. Mitchell and A. T. Metcalf. The former had completed the ninety-fifth year of his age on the previous day. He was Grand Master in 1865. Bro. Metcalf was Grand Master in 1869.

A request was received from the Grand Lodge of the Netherlands for a contribution toward a proposed home for the International Court of Arbitration at The Hague; but no action appears to have been taken.

The salary of the Grand Secretary was increased from \$1,800 to \$2,000, a tardy act of justice, for M. W. Bro. Lou B. Winsor is one of the best Grand Secretaries in existence, and one of the most industrious. He is Foreign Correspondent as well as Grand Secretary, and all that he does he does well. He was Grand Master in 1897, and has been Grand Secretary for the past ten years.

A body of colored people, calling themselves the Prince Hall Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of the State of Michigan, having asked to be recognized as regular Masons. The request was denied for the following reasons:

The first charter or warrant granted to organize a lodge of colored Masons was granted by the Grand Lodge of England to Prince Hall, of Boston, in 1784. The charter, however, did not arrive in Boston so that it could be used until 1787. The Grand Lodge of Massachusetts was regularly organized in 1777; so that at the time the Prince Hall charter was granted the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts had been organized for seven years and had exclusive jurisdiction in that commonwealth during that time. When it arrived the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts had been organized ten years with exclusive jurisdiction, so that at the time the Prince Hall charter was granted, there was no Masonic body in the world but the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts which could grant a charter to organize a regular lodge of Masons in the State of Massachusetts. The charter, therefore, was illegal and void from the beginning, and all bodies organized in pursuance of its provisions were clandestine.

The present Grand Lodge of the State of Michigan was organized in 1845, and since that time it has had exclusive jurisdiction in this state; and during that time no charter could be granted by any Grand Lodge or body of Masons to form a Masonic lodge in this state but the Grand Lodge of the State of Michigan, and no Grand Lodge other than this could have any legal existence in Michigan, and the commissions and warrants purporting to have been issued by the Grand Lodges

of Africa, Cuba and San Domingo in 1901 would, therefore, be illegal and void.

The report is adorned by twelve full-page illustrations of Masonic temples in Detroit and other Michigan cities, which give evidence that in all the principal business centres of the state the Masonic bodies are well housed.

The excellent report on Foreign Correspondence is by the Grand Secretary, M. W. Bro. Lou. B. Winsor. Bro. Winsor figures out that there are in North America 15,007 Masonic lodges, with 1,545,815 members in good standing, but his table omits Oklahoma, Saskatchewan and Utah.

Lodges in Michigan, 421; members 68,396, an increase for the year of 2,688.

James H. Thompson, Lansing, Grand Master.

Lou B. Winsor, Reed City, Grand Secretary.

MINNESOTA

The sixtieth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota was opened at St. Paul January 22, 1913. Owen Morris Grand Master. Lodges represented 232; unrepresented 21. Thirteen Past Grand Masters were present. The representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada was not present. He is recorded as being a resident of Charleston, S. C., and it is only by a figure of speech that he can be said to represent this Grand Jurisdiction "near" the Grand Lodge of Minnesota.

Grand Master Morris had nothing but good words for the Masonic situation in his jurisdiction. Prosperity was among the lodges and peace everywhere. He said:

I feel that for a year I have been going in and out among the craft, watching them doing work, square, true and good. There has been no discord in any of the apartments of the temple. Each workman attended to his own work and seemed to consider it a man's job. I have not heard a complaint. I have quite forgotten what a sour face looks like. The sound of a hammer at the building has not been heard. There are no knockers in all Jerusalem.

One warrant had been surrendered; three dispensations had been granted for the formation of new lodges; and one lodge was consecrated.

A dispensation to lay a corner stone on Sunday had been refused. Bro. Morris said:

It is not proper for the Grand Lodge on the Sabbath day to lay the corner stone of a public building, even of a church. In imitation of the Creator of the Universe, the craft should rest upon the seventh day, and should thereon adore their Maker.

The conclusion is eminently correct; but the reason given is not. For Sunday (the Christain Sabbath) is the first day of the week, not the seventh.

Bro. Morris had refused three requests to "make Masons at sight." He said:

I feel that we should aim to treat all persons alike in so far as that can be done. We should meet upon the level. The candidate needs the impressions of the ceremonies and the instructions of the degrees. Lack of time was the reason given in each of these cases. Unless a person has, on the outside of the lodge, learned to allot the twenty-four hours given him each day by his Creator and Sustainer, to such an extent as to enable him to comply with the very reasonable requirements of the fraternity, there is very little hope that, after his admission, he will be ever able to even approximate the division of time emblematically taught in connection with the twenty-four inch gauge.

Bro. Morris had visited a great many lodges, and seemed to like it. He said:

I believe that a Masonic lodge is peculiarly a place for instruction, moral uplifting and spiritual development, and that it should always be abreast of the times. It should have the best furnishings and equipments that the lodge can afford. It should not be satisfied with being a ritualistic mill merely to grind out members. The letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life.

And again:

We believe in God. In him do we put our trust. Individually and collectively we are under his protecting care. We came into this world—one by one. We will go out of it—one by one. While in it we are individual Masons. No matter how closely together we may be cemented by brotherly love and affection, or bound by ties of a common purpose, still, within the surrounding circle, may always be pointed the individual Mason.

Grand Lodge resolved to present each outgoing Grand Master with a suitable jewel, these to be uniform in design.

The proposal of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico to recognize another grand body in that republic did not meet with approval. The committee on Foreign Correspondence said:

It is a well established Masonic principle that there can be but

one legitimate grand lodge in any given territory at the same time. All others necessarily are clandestine. Consequently the proposition for joint occupancy could not be considered a moment. If persisted in a general withdrawal of recognition must be the inevitable result.

We fear there has been a little too much haste in acknowledging the jurisdiction of the York Grand Lodge over the whole of the Mexican republic. The United States is a federal republic, composed of many states; and there must be one independent Masonic craft Grand Lodge for each state. Mexico is a federal republic composed of many states, and there must be but one Masonic craft Grand Lodge for the whole country. The two propositions will hardly jibe.

A communication from the International club of London, asking for fraternal intercourse, was ordered "to be placed on file."

Grand Lodge voted an appropriation to enable Minnesota to become a member of the Masonic Relief Association.

During the year Minnesota lost two Past Grand Masters—George Washington Prescott, who died March 21, 1912, at the age of 86; and Henry Rogers Wells, who died Oct. 13, 1912, at the age of 78. The death was also announced of Samuel Emery Adams, who was Senior Grand Warden in 1859, and who had been "for fifty years Grand Representative."

A beautiful loving cup was presented to M. W. Bro. Morris "by Welsh Masons." It has three handles of deer's horns, an intimation to Bro. Morris, no doubt, that he should never take more than three horns at one sitting.

Bro. Irving Todd (he is too modest to give his rank) is chairman of the committee on Foreign Correspondence. His report is pleasant to read. Of course almost any account of legitimate Masonry is pleasant to read in these days of progress and prosperity; but Bro. Todd makes his report very interesting. He reviews the Proceedings of sixty-four Grand Lodges.

Lodges in Minnesota 257; members 27,446. a gain of 910.

W. Hayes Laird, Winona, Grand Master.

John Fishel, St. Paul, Grand Secretary.

MISSISSIPPI

The ninety-fifth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Mississippi was opened at Gulfport February 18, 1913. J. Rice Williams Grand Master. Lodges represented 352; unrepresented 9. Twelve Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. Harry T. Howard, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

Before the formal opening a public reception was given by the citizens of Gulfport to members of Grand Lodge.

Grand Master Williams, in the opening of his address, said:

I am glad to say that Masonry in this grand jurisdiction is a reality as well as a theory, and Masonic charity is not limited to simple gifts and contributions of money or tangible material of worldly goods, although these are necessary, right and proper.

Six corner stones had been laid during the year, by the Grand Master or his deputy.

Nine lodges under dispensation had been constituted and consecrated, and dispensations had been granted for the formation of seven new lodges.

The Grand Master had arrested the warrants of three lodges. The particulars fill more than forty pages of the Proceedings.

He had refused to approve every appeal for help for the purpose of building houses or paying debts on houses, and approved every plea for help to an individual.

The Grand Lecturer made a brief report of his work for the year, in the course of which he said:

It is not my province to make recommendations to the Grand Lodge, but I suggest that a law should be passed requiring every candidate after he is raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason to pass a satisfactory examination before a District Deputy Grand Master before he be permitted to hold a station in a lodge.

A committee was appointed to take the matter into consideration.

There were 100 children in the Masonic home. The average cost of maintenance was less than \$150, the expenditure aggregating \$13,305; and \$1,379 was expended for indigent brethren. The endowment fund amounts to \$108,244; and the land and buildings cost \$83,013.

M. W. Bro. Harry T. Howard is chairman of the committee on Foreign Correspondence; and he presents an

excellent report. He felt compelled to decline re-appointment. His retirement will be generally regretted, for Bro Howard's reports were always read with interest. He certainly fell into error when he wrote the following paragraph in commenting upon the Canadian Proceedings.

One hundred or more dispensations were issued to attend church, clothed in regalia and as lodges. Now, these brethren seem to forget the ancient customs of Masonic law, forbidding religion to enter Masonry. We are supposed to leave that to the individuals.

May we remind our brother that no man is permitted to enter a Masonic lodge until a religious test is applied to him; that he cannot advance far in Masonry without prayer; that the Bible is always before him and is commended to him; and that he is repeatedly admonished to look to the Great Architect for guidance and support? If Masonry is anything it is religious.

Then, again, it was not the ancient Masonic law to forbid religion to enter Masonry, but the very reverse. The first Charges of a Freemason provided that a Mason is bound by his tenure to obey the moral law; and if he rightly understands the art he will never be a stupid atheist nor an irreligious libertine. Then, the Grand Master in this jurisdiction did not grant any dispensation to attend church. In each case the brethren decided of their own motion to attend church, and for that purpose they did not either need nor seek a dispensation. What they asked and obtained was permission to wear Masonic clothing while attending church.

It is but fair to say, however, that the report of our Grand Secretary, because of need for condensation, makes it appear that the dispensations were permissions to attend Divine Service.

Lodges in Mississippi 358; members 19,103. a gain of 172.

Alfred H. Bays, Grenada, Grand Master.

Frederic Gordon Speed, Vicksburg, Grand Secretary.

MISSOURI

The ninety-second annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Missouri was opened at St. Louis September 24, 1912. Arch. A. Johnson Grand Master. Lodges represented 528; unrepresented 90. Nineteen

Past Grand Masters were present, and thirty-three representatives of Grand Lodges, including M. W. Bro. Xenophon Ryland, representing the Grand Lodge of Canada.

In the opening of his address the Grand Master said:

Under the providence of God we meet today in our ninety-second annual communication with evidence of his favor and blessings visible on every hand. Peace and prosperity have crowned our year's labor, and Freemasonry as a great moral force working for the upbuilding of character of man is being felt more and more in every community in the state. Reflection ends with the conclusion that our labors have not been in vain.

During the year the hospital attached to the Masonic home had been completed, and it was dedicated with imposing ceremonies on the first day of the session of Grand Lodge.

Bro. Johnson had in person dedicated the Masonic temple at Kansas City and laid the corner stone of Parker Memorial Hall at the Rolla School of Mines.

Dispensations had been issued for the formation of six new lodges.

Many decisions were given, all being interpretations of Missouri Masonic law. He directed attention to a Masonic paper, one issue of which was "made up largely of advertisements of candidates for political offices, giving their lodge membership and Masonic history." This, he said, was a violation of Masonic law.

Grants to the Masonic Home for 1911 amounted to \$38,956.80, and for 1912, the amount available from the per capita tax was \$40,950.75. It is amply evident that our Missouri brethren are not niggardly in granting aid to their distressed brethren. In addition to the above-named sums, \$7,800 was granted to aid in the construction of the Masonic hospital. In addition to the grant from the Grand Lodge individual lodges had, during the year, contributed \$13,773.

An important communication was received from the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky covering several points which, the writer thought, ought to be discussed by all the Grand Lodges on the American continent, so that uniformity of action with regard to them might be secured.

The first recommendation was that a Mason residing outside the jurisdiction of his own Grand Lodge may be tried either by the Lodge to which he belongs or by the lodge within whose jurisdiction he resides.

The second is that lodges in different Grand Jurisdictions should be allowed to correspond directly, in cases where waiver of jurisdiction is solicited, instead of having the correspondence pass through the several Grand Secretaries. M. W. Bro. Jackson thinks this would save time and trouble.

The third point, which we copy in full, is as follows:

At the risk of appearing to be officially full of "uniformity" ideas, I submit that some agreement as to the dogma of "perpetual jurisdiction" might be the means of steering clear of the danger on this subject that will not down, and furnishes the subject of extended correspondence that is not always free from a trace of acrimony. Hence, it appears to me that this is a subject worthy of careful consideration. Therefore, to put the question in shape, I venture to submit the following, which, or any betterment agreed upon, I trust may be recommended for adoption by our Grand Lodges.

The sovereignty of this Grand Lodge touching all Masonic matters within but not outside its territorial boundary, is full and complete; and any of its subordinate lodges have the right to receive the petition of any profane or non-affiliate who is a resident of its respective jurisdiction and possesses the physical, mental, moral and residential qualifications that may be required by the Constitution and regulations of this Grand Lodge. This Grand Lodge concedes the same right and power to all other Grand Lodges.

We do not find that any action was taken respecting this letter.

The Grand Lodge of Puerto Rico was recognized.

The report of the committee on Grievances and Appeals is sad reading. No less than ten appeals came before the committee, disclosing offences against the moral law of a very serious character. In one case a minister of the gospel, a married man, was charged with making indecent proposals to a young woman, the daughter of a Mason. It is to be hoped that the facts disclosed in this report are not a fair reflex of Masonic morality in Missouri.

M. W. Bro. C. C. Woods continues the Foreign Correspondence with his accustomed ability and earnestness. He tells his readers that our order flourishes most where civilization is highest; regrets that the

Washington Memorial scheme was ever suggested; favors Masonic homes, and declines to think that any of them can possibly be "a veritable hades," "in the orthodox sense, a place of torment." But we beg to remind our brother that hades was not supposed to be a place of torment, but the abode of all departed spirits, and that, as a place or condition, it was the covered state, though Hades, was a personality, and was the king of the nether world. Our English word hell had originally the same meaning—that which was covered or concealed. We retain it in Masonry in the word hele, which means to hide or cover. Apparently Bro. Woods had not received the report from this jurisdiction when he closed.

There are 624 chartered lodges in Missouri, with a total membership of 55,737, a gain of 2,771.

Jacob Lampert, St. Louis, Grand Master.

John R. Parson, 510 Pine Street, St. Louis, Grand Secretary.

NEBRASKA

The fifty-fifth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska was opened at Omaha June 4, 1912. Henry Gibbons Grand Master. Lodges represented 233; unrepresented 19. Twenty-two Past Grand Masters were present. The name of the representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada does not appear.

M. W. Bro. Daniel H. Wheeler, the oldest living Past Grand Master, was specially received and welcomed. He was Grand Master in 1863.

The Grand Master reported that peace and harmony prevailed throughout the jurisdiction; that the increase in membership was satisfactory; that the financial affairs of Grand Lodge were never in better condition; and that relations with other jurisdictions were harmonious and peaceful.

Lodges in Colorado issue to their members receipts for dues which bear on their backs certificates from the Grand Secretary that the lodges are regular. Bro. Wheeler was asked if such receipts would be accepted in Nebraska as documentary evidence in favor of Colorado brethren desiring to visit in Nebraska. The question was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, which decided that the receipt would not be

accepted as documentary evidence in Nebraska, and Grand Lodge adopted the report.

Bro. Gibbons referred the question of relations with the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico to the same Committee, which reported that brethren from the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, or any other Grand Lodge, should not be admitted as visitors to Nebraska lodges "so long as their grand body is not in fraternal communication with this Grand Lodge."

Bro. Gibbons had been very active in visiting lodges, laying corner stones, visiting the Masonic home, and installing officers. He had constituted two lodges.

We regret to notice reports of many irregularities among the lodges, which called for action on the part of the Grand Master.

The trustees of the Masonic Home reported that they had securities for investments amounting to \$67.-175, bearing interest ranging from 5 to 7 per cent.

At the noon adjournment on the first day of the session the Grand Master and the members of the Grand Lodge performed the ceremony of breaking ground for the Scottish Rite cathedral at Omaha.

James R. Cain, Jr., was elected Grand Master. A pleasing feature of the election was the presence of his father, James R. Cain, Sr., who was Grand Master in 1881.

The Foreign Correspondence is in the competent hands of M. W. Bro. Charles J. Phelps, who had not received the Canadian Proceedings when he submitted his report.

Lodges in Nebraska 252; members 19,269, an increase of 762.

James R. Cain, Jr., Stella, Grand Master.

Francis E. White, Omaha, Grand Secretary.

NEVADA

The forty-eighth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Nevada was opened at Reno June 11, 1912. Herman Davis Grand Master. Lodges represented 22; unrepresented 3. Ten Past Grand Masters were in attendance, including M. W. Bro. Frank Bell, representing the Grand Lodge of Canada.

Two special communications of the Grand Lodge had been held during the year, both for the laying of corner stones.

The condition of Masonry in Nevada is not what it should be. In his address the Grand Master said:

The returns of constituent Lodges show an increase of seventy-five in the number of members during the year, an increase, to my mind, ample for a jurisdiction the size of Nevada. I find that most of the Lodges are slowly but surely making a more careful selection of material; yet in other lodges many of the newer brethren rarely attend, after their "raising," which shows that the "degree-mill" has turned out a few real Masons, together with a lot of drones who are Masons but in name only. In these same lodges an alarming increase in loose methods employed by investigating committees, together with short, easy and cheap cuts to Masonry, and the abandonment of many of the mental, moral and physical qualifications so essential to the maintenance of a proper standard for our Institution is noted. Right here I would sound a note of warning. We are drifting slowly, yet surely from the ancient landmarks that were guarded so carefully by our forefathers, by convenient and elastic interpretations of their meanings into modernism, rapidly absorbing customs and ideas from societies of mushroom growth, when some of our lodges open their doors to the maimed, the dismembered, the diseased, the immoral, the vicious and low.

If that picture is not overcharged with dark colors then there is work for the earnest and active Masons of Nevada to do. Masonry should be "first pure, then peaceable."

Bro. Davis is proud of the fact that he was the first Grand Master of the jurisdiction to visit each of the twenty-five lodges in the state. In the performance of that duty he travelled six thousand miles "by train, automobile, stage, team, horseback and on foot."

In one lodge he found a very peculiar state of affairs. Petitions were received from four candidates, and a meeting was surreptitiously held at a time when the great majority believed it would not be held, and of which no adequate notice was given, at which meeting the ballot was passed. Subsequently a meeting was held without any notice, when the four candidates were initiated. At later meetings they were passed and raised. The Grand Master held that fraud tainted the whole wretched business, and that the men so received were not Masons at all. But he went farther: he found that for twenty years this same lodge

had been receiving and initiating men who lived across the state line in the state of California, without the consent or knowledge of the lodge within whose jurisdiction they resided. Among the candidates so received was the Worshipful Master who had been active in taking candidates into his lodge "by means of trickery, connivance, subterfuge, conspiracy, falsehood and fraud." The Grand Master therefore decided that:

The reception of the petition of, and the election, and subsequent entering, passing and raising of the present Master of Douglas Lodge No. 12 was illegal, and his every act while acting as Master, and the every act of Douglas Lodge No. 12, while he acted as its Master, is illegal, null and void and of no effect.

It is to be feared that much educational work is needed in Nevada to raise the standard of Masonry in that state to its proper level. Grand Master Davis arrested the charter of Douglas Lodge; but at the communication of the Grand Lodge it was restored. The Worshipful Master who had been declared not to be a Mason at all received the document from the Grand Master who had made the declaration.

Bro. Davis found some members of lodges to be owners or part owners of property rented for immoral purposes. When their attention was called to the matter, they, with the sole exception of a Past Master, disposed of their interest. "at heavy financial loss," informing the Master that they had no intention of bringing disgrace upon the fraternity, and assuring him that love of Freemasonry was above price." Which reminds one of the sailor who had a wife at every port visited by his ship; but

They couldn't call it polygamy,
And 'ardly even bigamy,
For 'is 'art was true to Poll.

The Foreign Correspondence is continued by R. W. Bro. E. D. Vanderlieth, the Grand Secretary. Bro. Vanderlieth gets pretty much all the valuable information out of the Proceedings he reviews, presents it to his readers in good shape, and accompanies it with pertinent and sometimes pointed remarks. We may not always agree with his conclusions, but we always read him with interest. He thinks the conditions precedent to the recognition of foreign Grand Lodges

ought to be carefully considered and generally agreed upon; and he asks:

What are legal and illegal Grand Bodies, and their rights and powers in and to the degrees Symbolic of Craft Masonry?

Does Universal Masonry proceed from the Grand Lodge of England, and, from this point of view, can all of the Grand Bodies of the world be recognized?

Is the landmark requiring a belief in God an essential element in the question of recognition?

Is the landmark requiring the belief in the immortality of the soul an essential element in the question of recognition.

Is the landmark that a book of the law constitutes an indispensable object in a lodge an essential element in the question of recognition?

Should recognition be denied all Grand Bodies which recognize Grand Bodies that dispense with the necessity of a belief of the Great Architect of the Universe, or any other landmark?

Lodges in Nevada 25; members 1,846. a gain for the year of 75.

Henry W. Miles, Reno, Grand Master.

Edward D. Vanderlieth, Carson City, Grand Secretary.

NEW BRUNSWICK

The forty-fifth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of New Brunwsick was held at West St. John August 27, 1912. Henry Seabury Bridges, Grand Master. Lodges represented 22; unrepresented 17. Four Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. John V. Ellis, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

The Grand Master congratulated his brethren on the harmony which had prevailed throughout the jurisdiction; on peace and cordial relations with other Masonic powers; on the increase in numbers during the year; and on the satisfactory condition of the finances of Grand Lodge.

He had visited many lodges, and had been received with cordial greetings everywhere.

On the 28th of July a special communication was opened at St. John when officers and members of Grand Lodge, with many other members of the craft, attended Divine service at Trinity church. The service was conducted by the Grand Chaplain, Rev. R. A. Armstrong.

There was considerable discussion of a proposal to issue a small Grand Lodge certificate which might be carried in the pocket and serve as documentary evidence when visiting lodges. In the end the following resolution was carried.

That the Board of General Purposes be directed to enquire into the possibility of having a Grand Lodge certificate provided in a reduced size if practicable, and if not, to recommend a plan for procuring certificates which may be easily carried in small form.

The reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters are very brief, and all speak of good work, harmony and progress. There are five districts, so that the average number of lodges to a district is less than eight.

There is no report on Foreign Correspondence.

Lodges in New Brunswick 39; members 3,182. a gain of 114. Master Masons only are counted as members.

Frederick J. G. Knowlton, St. John, Grand Master.

J. W. Twining Hartt, Ritchie's building, St. John, Grand Secretary.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

The semi-annual communication of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire was held at Manchester December 27, 1911. Charles H. Wiggin Grand Master. These semi-annual communications are for the sole purpose of witnessing exemplifications of the three degrees, worked by selected teams from various parts of the state. They serve the purpose of our lodges of instruction. The attendance at them is larger than at the annual communications. The work as rendered was criticised by the Grand Lecturer, R. W. Bro. Herbert E. Richardson. Among those present was M. W. Bro. Ira A. Chase, Representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

Though district lodges of instruction are not specifically provided for nor authorized by the constitution of New Hampshire, yet some districts have held them, and Grand Master Wiggin thinks they have had excellent results.

The one hundred and twenty-third annual com-

munication was opened at Concord May 15, 1912. Charles H. Wiggin Grand Master. Lodges represented 53; unrepresented 26. It may be noted that at the semi-annual communication 69 lodges were represented. Ten Past Grand Masters were present.

The Grand Master said that the year had been "void of strife, contention or serious infraction of our regulations." Peace and fraternal good will prevailed in all lodges; and none of the ancient landmarks had been dimmed or obliterated. The craft had grown in strength and influence, and there had been no failure to investigate carefully the character of material offering for membership.

He decided that a candidate must be of the full age of twenty-one years when presenting his petition for initiation.

Privately, objection was made to the Master of a lodge against a candidate who had been balloted for and accepted. The objection was afterwards withdrawn; but the Grand Master ruled that the candidate could not be initiated unless another ballot were taken and found clear. This seems to be unwisely strict.

A dispensation was granted to St. John's Lodge, No. 1, to appear in public wearing Masonic clothing when celebrating the one hundred and seventy-fifth anniversary of the formation of the lodge; also to Humane Lodge, No. 12 at its one hundredth anniversary.

The Grand Master had dropped two Grand Representatives "on account of their non-attendance upon the meetings of their respective Grand Lodges." He says: "Grand Lodges are giving this matter of Grand Representatives attending the various meetings of Grand Lodge close attention, and those who are delinquent are falling by the wayside. I would strongly urge the Grand Representatives in this jurisdiction to be regular in their attendance upon our stated communications."

M. W. Bro. Harry M. Cheney, the Grand Secretary, presented his sixth report on Foreign Correspondence. As usual it is a good report, for the most part a statement of what Grand Lodges have done, but lightly spiced with Bro. Cheney's personal comments and cri-

ticisms. Somebody having said that, if a man is a member in good standing of a legitimate Masonic lodge, it is nobody's concern what other organizations he may belong to, Bro. Cheney rises to remark, "Well, we make it our concern to see to it that he doesn't belong to one of our lodges and a clandestine lodge of Masons at the same time." He thinks dual membership "a worthless and needless practice." He quotes with approval the Florida correspondent's statement that he makes his report "with as little comment as is consistent with a fair presentment of the facts." He thinks New Hampshire is right in permitting a dimitted Mason to "deposit his dimit with his application for membership in any lodge on earth," and there he is probably right. He has looked in the dictionary and found the meaning of the word proem, and believes every Mason to have the same privilege. He believes the claim of "perpetual jurisdiction" over rejected material to be untenable; and, though New Hampshire has a five-year claim, in the end all jurisdictions will come to the one-year basis. His position is fortified by the fact that the Grand Lodges claiming perpetual jurisdiction cannot enforce their claim. If a rejected candidate were to come into this jurisdiction and should be accepted after a residence here of a year would the Grand Lodge within whose jurisdiction he formerly lived declare non-intercourse with us? At the same time we hold that if a man has been once rejected great care should be taken to find out the cause for such rejection.

Lodges in New Hampshire 79; members 10,480, a net gain of 122.

Charles H. Wiggin, Concord, Grand Master.

Harry M. Cheney, Concord, Grand Secretary.

NEW JERSEY

The Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Society of Free and Accepted Masons for the state of New Jersey met in annual communication at Trenton beginning April 17, 1912. Leslie A. Burritt Grand Master. Lodges represented 182; unrepresented 9. Twelve Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. Geo. W. Fortmeyer, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

Grand Master Burritt had a correct appreciation of one of the duties of a Grand Master in presenting his address to Grand Lodge. He said.

Realizing that the time at our disposal is limited, and that many important matters will demand our attention, my remarks will be as brief and concise as possible.

If Bro. Burritt will fix that idea in the mind of Grand Masters he will do much good. He added:

The year has been prosperous. From the report of the Grand Treasurer you will note improvement in our finances, while from that of the Grand Secretary you will see that our total membership is close to thirty-five thousand. In fact, it is safe to say that to-day we exceed that number, and our losses during the year, through demits and suspensions, are less than those of the preceding year. Peace, harmony and good-will toward the entire Masonic world are ours, and within our borders no dissension exists.

A notable event of the year was the celebration, by St. John's Lodge, No. 1, of its one hundred and fiftieth anniversary.

One new lodge was consecrated during the year, and a dispensation was granted for the formation of a new lodge.

Some brethren asked for a dispensation for a new lodge, with permission to work in the Italian language. The Grand Master went fully into the question with the applicants, and it is probable that the lodge will be formed. But the Grand Master realizes that great care must be exercised in dealing with such applications. One of the chief difficulties is the ensuring of uniformity in the work with that authorized in the jurisdiction. The complexities of the situation are shown by a report from the committee on Jurisdiction of Lodges which provides that lodges which work in the German tongue should have concurrent jurisdiction over the entire state for the German-speaking population, but that they should have no right to accept or consider petitions from English-speaking candidates, nor to grant waivers of such to the English-speaking lodges.

The Masonic home seems to be in a prosperous way. At the close of the year there were 86 inmates, and the cost of maintenance was \$27,172.67, or about \$316 a year per capita.

A proposal to erect a Grand Lodge temple had been referred to the lodges throughout the state, and they had decided against it.

R. W. Bro. Robert A. Shirrefs is chairman of the committee on Foreign Correspondence, and he writes the greater part of the report, while R. W. Bro. Adolph Klee deals with the Proceedings of German bodies. The report is full of interest and information; but Canada has been forgotten.

Lodges in New Jersey 192; members 34,855, an increase of 1,761.

Richard C. Woodward, Trenton, Grand Master.

Benjamin F. Wakefield, Trenton, Grand Secretary.

NEW MEXICO

The thirty-fifth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of New Mexico was opened at Albuquerque October 21, 1912. William B. Walton Grand Master. Lodges represented 32; unrepresented 8. Thirteen Past Grand Masters were present.

The Grand Master in opening his address, said:

It gives me great pleasure to report to you that Masonry in this Grand Jurisdiction has made satisfactory progress during the year; that peace and harmony prevail among our members; that there has been a substantial increase in membership, and that the finances of the Grand Lodge are in good condition. Surely, we have much for which to be thankful.

He had issued dispensations permitting various bodies to have joint occupancy of Masonic halls, among them Knights of Pythias, Order of the Eastern Star, Woodmen of the World, Order of Railway Conductors, Rebeccas and Loyal Order of Moose.

He had ruled that there is nothing inconsistent in an attorney, who is a Mason, acting for a profane against a Mason.

He had consecrated two lodges, dedicated one Masonic temple, and issued dispensations for the formation of two new lodges.

He recommended—1, that secretaries and treasurers of constituent lodges be required to give bonds; 2, That petitions for new lodges be required to have twenty signatures; 3, that systematic instruction in Masonic law be given in the constituent lodges; 4. That

Grand Lodge make an appropriation to meet the necessary expenses of the Grand Master for postage stamps and stenographic work; 5, that constituent lodges be required to keep a historical register; 6, that the Grand Secretary be adequately paid, so that he may give his whole time to the duties of his office. The first and second of these recommendations were disapproved by the committee, and by Grand Lodge.

Permission was given to the Grand Lodge of Arkansas to solicit subscriptions in New Mexico in aid of a Masonic hospital at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

At the previous communication of Grand Lodge M. W. Bro. James H. Wroth, chairman of the committee on Foreign Correspondence, was requested to report "why we are not in fraternal relation with France and what Grand Jurisdictions are." Bro. Wroth made a searching investigation, and reported the results. He found that nearly all of the Grand Jurisdictions of the world had declared non-intercourse with the Grand Orient of France, mainly because in France the Bible is not placed on the altars of Masonry and because the Great Architect of the Universe is not recognized. The report is of great value.

Bro. Wroth submitted a valuable report on the Proceedings of sixty-four Grand Lodges, not including Canada, giving his readers a good idea of all that is going on in the Masonic world.

Lodges in New Mexico 42, including two under dispensation; members 2,948, an increase of 149.

Marius R. Williams, East Las Vegas, Grand Master.

Alpheus A. Keen, Albuquerque, Grand Secretary.

NEW SOUTH WALES

A special communication of the Grand Lodge of New South Wales was opened at Sydney July 10, 1911, when the officers previously elected and appointed were invested. The Deputy Grand Master, who presided, said that the utmost harmony had prevailed throughout the jurisdiction.

A quarterly communication was held September 13, 1911. The Deputy Grand Master announced that five lodges had been consecrated during the quarter.

Among the dispensations issued were eight for the initiation of a lewis.

At a meeting of the Board of General Purposes held August 31, 1911, it was ruled that the practice of balloting for candidates en bloc was irregular, and the Grand Secretary was directed to send a circular to all the lodges to that effect.

At several subsequent quarterly communications the proceedings were of local interest only.

At the meeting of the Board of General Purposes held June 12, 1912.—

The attention of the board was directed to the fact that a society termed "Universal Co-Masonry," stated to be working under allegiance to the Grand Orient of France, had opened a lodge in Sydney. The Grand Secretary was directed to issue a circular of advice to the lodges under this Grand Lodge, drawing their attention to the matter, and warning them to have nothing whatever to do with this so-called Masonic society.

At the same meeting the board resolved to recommend Grand Lodge to declare that meetings of lodges, or members of lodges, on Sundays, for the purposes of instruction, rehearsal, or other Masonic practices, except for church or funeral services, are inimical to the best interests of Freemasonry.

Announcement was made that the Masonic Convalescent Home at Camden had been availed of by fifteen brethren during the year.

The committee on Foreign Correspondence of which Bro. L. Whitfield is chairman, found it impossible to finish its work, and only a partial report is printed.

The Grand Secretary supplied the following table, showing the condition of Masonry in the jurisdiction.

The total number of lodges in active work is 239, an increase of one during the year.

Subscribing members number 17,524, an increase of 1,488 since our last annual report.

Grand Lodge Fund	increased by £4,157 to £13,667
Benevolent Fund	increased by 2,012 to 20,846
Freemasons' Orphan Society	increased by 1,019 to 31,798
Freemasons' Ben. Instit.	increased by 1,340 to 14,661

It will be seen that the united funds of the Grand Lodge amount to more than \$400,000.

Lord Chelmsford, Sydney, Grand Master.

Arthur H. Bray, Masonic Hall, Castlereagh street, Sydney, Grand Secretary.

NEW ZEALAND

The twenty-third annual communication of the Grand Lodge of New Zealand was opened at Dunedin May 12, 1912. C. J. W. Griffiths Grand Master. Lodges represented 183; unrepresented 3. Four Past Grand Masters were present; also officers and members of English, Irish and Scotch lodges in considerable numbers.

Two Grand Lecturers are appointed in New Zealand, one for the north island and one for the south island. They are just what the title implies, lecturers, and have no "authority over or powers of supervision in lodges," and their lectures are "intended only for instruction regarding the ethics, symbolism and history of Freemasonry." There are also ten Provincial Grand Masters, corresponding to our District Deputy Grand Masters, who inspect the lodges and report upon the condition of the craft.

Relief is granted from two funds, the annuity fund and the fund for widows, orphans and aged Masons. The annuity fund amounts to nearly \$60,000, producing a revenue of about \$3,800, and the present charges upon it are about \$3,000. The casual relief amounts to about \$6,000 yearly. In his address after installation, the newly-elected Grand Master said, "Our cash balances, including all funds, now stand at £27,395, as against £72 in 1891, twenty one years ago. This is what we have been able to put by, not taking into account the amounts we have distributed."

The Board of General Purposes recommended, and Grand Lodge approved the declaration, "that canvassing shall be a disqualification for office."

M. W. Bro. Alfred H. Burton continues to report on Foreign Grand Lodges. He says:

I notice that opinions vary as to the duty of reviewers. Some would seem to favour the indulgence of a critical spirit upon questions that crop up; while others declare themselves content to be mere recorders. I do not wish to earn the name of a rail-sitter, but I am disposed to think that a wise attitude is one between the above extremes, and with that idea possessing me I have acted.

That, we think is the proper spirit in which to deal with the Proceedings of sister bodies. The reviewer

should tell his brother as much as possible of what the Masonic world is doing, and as little as possible of what he himself thinks. Bro. Burton carries out his own idea admirably, and presents an excellent report.

Lodges in New Zealand 186; members 12,309, an increase of 841.

Maurice Thompson, Grand Master.

Malcolm Niccol, Box 566 Dunedin. Grand Secretary.

NORTH DAKOTA

The twenty-third annual communication of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina was opened at Minot June 18, 1912. Robert Morrison Grand Master. All the lodges in the state, 102 in number, were represented. Eight Past Grand Masters were present. The representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada was not.

In his address the Grand Master congratulated the brethren upon peace, prosperity and plenty—harmony and progress within the jurisdiction, and unbroken friendship with all other jurisdictions.

Three lodges had been consecrated during the year, two had been continued under dispensation, and one new lodge had been formed under dispensation.

"The Congregational church being a highly moral institution," Bro. Morrison had accepted an invitation to lay the corner stone of a building for that denomination at Grand Forks. By himself or by his deputy a number of other corner stones had been laid. He had also dedicated a Masonic temple at Bismarck.

He had granted a dispensation to a lodge to hold an open air meeting and to confer the degrees.

He had received a letter from the Grand Master of the Netherlands announcing that he would gladly accept a donation in aid of the International Court of Arbitration at the Hague; also from "The International Masonic Club," at London, asking for recognition and fraternal correspondence. The donation to the International Court of Arbitration was respectfully withheld; but it was resolved to "enter into fraternal correspondence with the International Masonic Club of London; and in every way possible lend aid to the movement for the furtherance of peace and good will

among the nations." International arbitration is a good thing; it can be handled by governments better than by Masonic Lodges. As to the International Masonic Club, it might be as well to find out what it is before getting too intimate with it.

The Grand Lodge of Montana had sent a most kind and fraternal letter, proposing that persons living near the state line in either jurisdiction might join the lodges nearest their homes, without regard to jurisdictional lines. This was accepted by North Dakota.

In concluding the Grand Master said:

Not only have we progressed in membership, but we have shown marked advancement in other respects. Substantial and enduring temples have been built, some now under construction while others are to be built. To my mind this shows splendid proof of the zeal and interest of the brethren in the perpetuation of our time honored institution.

Before the close of the morning session Bro. Halver L. Halverson, President of the city commission, welcomed Grand Lodge to Minot in a very neat speech, which was fittingly responded to by the Grand Master.

The committee on the Good of the Order had a short but excellent report. Among other good things it said this:

This year we desire to direct your attention for a little while to the greatest social crime of our generation; namely, the employment of little children in shops, factories and mines, in hazardous occupations with long hours of labor, where body and soul as well are ruined. Any nation which fails to conserve the life, the health and moral welfare of its children, is writing its own death warrant. We think of childhood as a time of joy, of happiness, of play, a time when there is freedom from worry and care and hard grinding toil, a time in which education and training for after life is being secured. No doubt such it is with your children and ours; but be it said to the lasting shame and disgrace of this people that hundreds of thousands, yes, millions of children, boys and girls under the age of fifteen years, are daily called to long hours of labor which all too frequently leave them crippled or physical and moral wrecks. We would not have you think that the performance of reasonable tasks, suited to the growing child, is not wholesome and to be desired; yet neither do we think it entirely a misfortune that at times the partial responsibility of family support rests upon boys and girls.

Lodges in North Dakota 103; members 8,538, a gain of 532.

William E. Hoover, Fargo, Grand Master.

Walter L. Stockwell, Fargo, Grand Secretary.

NOVA SCOTIA

The forty-seventh annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia was opened at Sydney June 12, 1912. Augustus John Wolff Grand Master. Lodges represented 53: unrepresented 19. One Past Grand Master was present. Also R. W. Thomas Mowbray, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

Before the active business of the communication was entered upon the members of Grand Lodge formed themselves in procession and attended Divine service in the Presbyterian church, where an excellent and instructive sermon was preached by Bro. the Rev. John Pringle.

The Grand Secretary reported that during the year there had been 439 initiations throughout the jurisdiction, with 89 additions by affiliation and reinstatement, and 288 losses from all causes. The membership stood at 6,456 at the end of the year, a gain of 233. The lodges were 72 in number, including one under dispensation. This was granted a warrant during the communication.

The committee on Grievances and Appeals had no complaints before it during the year, consequently there was nothing to report.

At the evening session the Grand Master delivered his address. He said that seven years earlier Grand Lodge had met at Sydney, which was then a hamlet, and had now grown to be a city of high reputation in the manufacturing world: and Masonry had grown in proportion to the material growth of the place. He added:

The church and state are engaged in movements conducive to higher ideals and better conditions, the hand of Masonry is clearly visible in the evolution of things. Rapid is the progress in material advancement and astounding the results. Problems of yesterday are cast aside for new and better things, to meet the progress of the age. Today the successful man contrives to meet circumstances of to-morrow, the drone has no place in life's drama and the indolent becomes an object of pity.

The Freemason's Home is at Windsor. There are at present eleven inmates. There is land for cultivation; but unfortunately, the cultivation does not pay. The brethren could buy potatoes for less money than it costs to raise them. Brethren throughout the province pay 25 cents each for the benefit of the home.

Masonry in Nova Scotia had suffered a great loss by the death, on the 17th of March, 1912, of Hon. William Ross, Dominion Senator. He was in the 87th year of his age at the time of his death, and had been a Mason 60 years. He had served as Grand Secretary for twelve years, and became Grand Master in 1903. An emergent communication of Grand Lodge was called to attend his funeral.

News had also recently been received of the death, at London, of Major General John Wimburne Laurie, who died on the 20th of May, 1912, in the 77th year of his age. He was Grand Master of Masons of Nova Scotia from 1874 to 1879 and from 1882 to 1885. He was engaged in the Crimean war and the Indian mutiny; was twice wounded and twice mentioned for conspicuous bravery in the field. He was a member of the Dominion House of Commons and afterwards of the Imperial Parliament.

The Foreign Correspondence is in the capable hands of R. W. Bro. Thomas Mowbray, the Grand Secretary. Bro. Mowbray says of Nova Scotia:

Although, comparatively speaking, a small Grand Lodge, and, to a certain extent, down here by ourselves, our Grand Lodge has not only tried to uphold the dignity of the grand old order, but has endeavoured to live up to their professions, and at the same time being careful not to interfere with or trespass upon the right of other Grand Masonic bodies.

Bro. Mowbray is in error in thinking that the representatives of sister Grand Lodges are received in this jurisdiction before Grand Lodge opens. That reception is looked upon here as a proceeding of some importance, and is attended with some formality.

William Medford Christie, K. C., Windsor, Grand Master.

Thomas Mowbray, Halifax, Grand Secretary.

OHIO

The one hundred and third annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Ohio was opened at Toledo October 23, 1912. Thomas B. Guiteau Grand Master. Lodges represented 518; unrepresented 6. Nineteen Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. Harmon, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

On behalf of the citizens of Toledo W. Bro. James Austin, Jr., welcomed the brethren to the city.

In opening his address Grand Master Guitteau said:

I am pleased to inform you that during the past year the craft has enjoyed great prosperity, that there has been marked increase in membership, that no serious differences or misunderstandings have occurred, and that peace and harmony prevail. Great physical improvements have taken place, new temples and halls have been erected and fitted up in almost every section of this Grand Jurisdiction, and much pride has been manifested in the furnishings of the same. With very few exceptions our lodges are in a most flourishing condition, and the ritualistic work is rendered with an enthusiasm and care that can but ultimately attain perfection.

He added that relations with other grand jurisdictions had been most cordial and harmonious.

He had learned that when District Lecturers inspected lodges the Master Mason degree was generally worked, the result being remarkable proficiency in that degree, while the others were comparatively neglected. He believed that it would be a good plan to inspect each lodge in each degree once every three years.

He had visited the Masonic Home, and was gratified with what he saw there. He added: "Brethren, visit the home, and I am confident you will agree with me that the per capita assessed the members of this Grand Jurisdiction is but a trifle when one considers the magnitude of the institution."

He had issued six dispensations for the formation of new lodges; and four lodges under dispensation were constituted and consecrated.

Personally he had visited thirty-one lodges, had laid seven corner stones, dedicated three Masonic halls, and consecrated two lodges.

One of his recommendations was as follows:

I would recommend that a Master-elect be required before installation into office to file a certificate with the Secretary of the lodge stating when and where the Past Master's Degree was conferred upon him, and that a copy of said certificate be spread upon the records of the lodge.

To which we may add that a Master elect ought to receive the Past Master's degree, or, as we call it in Canada, the degree of Installed Master, at the time of

his installation, unless the Installing Master is satisfied that the Master elect is actual Past Master. Craft Masonry should not accept rank conferred by any other Masonic authority whatever.

A pleasing feature of the meeting was the presentation of a beautiful desk and chair to R. W. Bro. J. H. Bromwell, the Grand Secretary.

Recognition of the Grand Lodge of Puerto Rico was deferred because the committee on Foreign Correspondence had not sufficient information to warrant a final report.

A grant of \$20,000 was made to the Masonic Home; \$15,000 for building a dormitory, and \$5,000 for general expense.

The home is a noble charity. At the date of the report it had 171 inmates, of whom 71 were men, 50 women, 28 boys, and 22 girls. The cost of maintenance was nearly \$40,000. The endowment fund amounts to more than \$150,000.

Among those who took an active part in the proceedings of the communication was M. W. Bro. Leander Burdick, the senior Past Grand Master of the jurisdiction. In little more than two months he died at his home in Toledo. He had been a Mason nearly 57 years, and a regular attendant at the communications of Grand Lodge for thirty years. The present Grand Master says of him:

He was a man of firm convictions, yet courteous and tactful; a warm friend; a wise counselor, and devoted to his wife and children; he lived his life honorably and conscientiously, and has left an unrivaled record for integrity and probity.

The volume of Proceedings before us is illustrated^o with a number of excellent cuts of Masonic temples in Ohio.

M. W. Bro. Nelson Williams is chairman of the committee on Foreign Correspondence, and presents his second report, which is a piece of good work. He summarizes well, quotes judiciously, and comments sparingly. The lines with which he closes his report are probably his own, though he does not directly claim them. Here they are:

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA

FROM LABOR TO REFRESHMENT

From labor to refreshment—what a happy thought it is,

As we journey down the avenues of time,

To feel that sweet refreshment will reward our labors here,

In that lodge where every precept is sublime.

To feel that all the burdens, all the sorrows, all the woes,

All the trials, all the aches, and all the pains,

Will be buried as poor Hiram, when the Soul in freedom goes

To that lodge where our Grand Master ever reigns.

From labor to refreshment—'t is the Junior Warden's call

In the lodge known as symbolic here below,

And every brother pauses when he hears the gavel fall,

For its potent power all the Masons know.

Our mystic work suspended, sweet converse reigns supreme,

And fellowship, which is our richest gem,

Is set in love cemented, and its iridescent gleam

Lights to brilliancy our dazzling diadem.

From labor to refreshment—'t is the Great Grand Master's call

When our labors in the earthly lodge are o'er,

And he takes us through the portals of his grand celestial hall,

There to live in sweet refreshment evermore.

There we shall see completed all the Master's wise designs,

No longer need the level and the square;

And there will be no longer any need of grips or signs,

For we shall all be Brethren over there.

Lodges in Ohio 529; members 86,493, a gain for the year of 3,660.

Edwin S. Griffiths, Cleveland, Grand Master.

J. H. Bromwell, Cincinnati, Grand Secretary.

OKLAHOMA

The fifth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma was opened at Guthrie February 12, 1913. Alfred G. Gray Grand Maaster. Lodges represented 350; unrepresented 75. Nineteen Past Grand Masters were present, including those of the present united Grand Lodge, those of Oklahoma Territory, those of Indian Territory, one of Kansas, and two of Arkansas. The representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada was present.

Grand Master Gray reported the death during the year of M. W. Bro. Harvey W. Lindsay, a Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Indian Territory.

By himself or his deputy thirteen lodges had been consecrated during the year; and he had issued dispensations for the formation of nine new lodges.

Among the miscellaneous dispensations granted were six to elect as Worshipful Master brethren who had not served as Warden.

Three lodges had surrendered their warrants.

Eleven emergent communications of Grand Lodge were held during the year, of which eight were for the purpose of laying corner stones, two to dedicate Masonic temples, and one to conduct the funeral service of Past Grand Master Lindsay.

The Grand Master recommended that the fees payable by constituent lodges should be two dollars for each Master Mason on the rolls and five dollars for each initiation, of which one dollar for each Master Mason and five dollars for each initiate should be appropriated to the Masonic home. With a slight modification this was adopted.

The Masonic home had 111 inmates, and the maintenance for the year cost \$22,596. Additional buildings are much needed.

A resolution in favor of resuming fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of New Jersey was referred to a special committee, to report at the next annual communication.

A resolution expressing affection for and appreciation of "Father" Murrow was unanimously adopted. The resolution will be engrossed on parchment, signed by the Grand Master and Grand Secretary, and presented to the veteran. Father Murrow was also made emeritus Grand Secretary, with a life salary of \$600 a year. He was Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the Territory of Oklahoma in 1877 and 1878, and was Grand Secretary from 1880 till the consolidation in 1908.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by M. W. Bro. Thomas C. Humphrey, who, "not unmindful of the spirit of economy that was manifested at the last grand communication," presents only a brief summary of the doings of thirty-eight Grand Lodges.

We do not find any statement of the number of Masons in Oklahoma.

Charles L. Reeder, M.D., Tulsa, Grand Master.

William M. Anderson, Oklahoma City, Grand Secretary.

OREGON

The sixty-second annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Oregon was opened at Portland June

12, 1912. Thomas M. Baldwin Grand Master. Lodges represented 110; unrepresented 14. Sixteen Past Grand Masters were present. The name of the representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada does not appear.

The Grand Master was able to report a year of prosperity and success. He said: "This report will show the greatest material growth for any like period in the history of the craft in this state." He feared, however, that they might become purse-proud, and urged his brethren to extend the beneficent influences of Masonry as far as means and opportunity would permit.

He had convened Grand Lodge, at Portland on the 11th of May, 1912, for the purpose of laying the corner stone of a building to be used for the purposes of Reed college. The ceremonies were impressive, and large numbers of Masons and non-Masons were in attendance.

Five lodges had been consecrated during the year, and dispensations granted for the formation of five new lodges.

Among his rulings was the following:

Question—Is it a violation of any Masonic law to allow the ladies of the Eastern Star, as an organization, to take part jointly in the funeral service by occupying one side of the hollow square at the grave and depositing the flowers into the grave after the Masons have deposited the sprig of acacia?

I would grant to the Eastern Star every privilege not inconsistent with the law and established customs of Masonry, but as the burial of a brother is strictly Masonic work, and as the lodge is at labor during the whole service, it is not proper or permissible to permit anyone not a Mason to take part in the funeral ceremonies, except the clergy.

Fraternal recognition was given to the Grand Lodge of Puerto Rico.

Bro. Baldwin called attention to the value of historical records in the following paragraph, which is eminently worthy of attention:

I desire to call the attention of the craft and urge upon them the preservation of the early records of the Lodge, the early history of Masonry in their respective localities—the legends, the reminiscences, the high character and sterling worth of the noble band of brethren who planted Masonry in this fair state of ours. Many things of a local nature, not now appreciated, will, if preserved, be of incalculable value to future generations. These sketches should be recorded

while they are still fresh in the memory, and while those who participated in the formation of the lodges are among us.

Closer fraternal relations among lodges of the same jurisdictions was recommended. Bro. Baldwin said:

I should like to see established a more intimate relationship, social and fraternal, among the subordinate lodges by interchange of work and visits, and "get together in meeting;" such as would tend to allay local jealousies, promote harmony and create greater activity and interest in Masonic affairs generally. I would recommend for consideration the forming of associations composed of Masters, Wardens and Secretaries of all localities where two or more lodges are within easy access of each other. Such associations to effect regular organization and to adopt rules for their government, providing for monthly meetings, or as often as might be thought wise or expedient, at which any and all matters pertaining to Masonry might be taken up and discussed, and papers prepared on same, and a general study given to Masonic subjects. I believe, too, in the potential influence of good Masonic literature. All Masons should be reading Masons. All should acquire the habit; not because it is a duty, but because it is the highest form of recreation. A study of the literature which has grown up and become a part of our great institution, is one of the most interesting by-paths into which the mind may wander. Familiarity with such subjects, far from breeding contempt, inspires reverence and respect, love and loyalty.

Lodges in Oregon 129; members 11,410, an increase of 629.

George H. Bennett, Salem, Grand Master.

James F. Robinson, Portland, Grand Secretary.

PENNSYLVANIA

The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania holds quarterly and annual communications.

The first quarterly communication was held March 6, 1912. William L. Gorgas Grand Master. The business transacted was of a routine character, the only item having more than Pennsylvanian interest being the adoption of a resolution that portraits of living Past Grand Masters may be placed in the Masonic temple at Philadelphia. Formerly only those of deceased Grand Masters might be placed there.

A special communication was held May 23, 1912, as a lodge of instruction. Grand Master Gorgas said that he had called the communication as provided in the Ahiman Rezon, to instruct the craft. President

Taft was among those present, and Bro. Gorgas added that he intended to exercise his prerogative and make a Mason at sight; and he was sure that the work in the three degrees had never been done in the presence of any of the Presidents of the United States. The same candidate was then initiated, passed and raised. President Taft made a few appreciative remarks. The day was warm, and he said that the candidate "had one advantage of us this afternoon—that garb which was supposed to be an evidence of his humility had much advantage about it that especially those of us who come under the head of what a man described to me as upholstered statesman can readily appreciate."

At the quarterly communications in June and September only routine business was transacted.

At the quarterly communication in December the yearly reports were received and dealt with, and the year's business was closed up.

An amendment was proposed increasing the annual dues to Grand Lodge from \$1 to \$2, of which one dollar should be used exclusively for the redemption of the Masonic home indebtedness, but it was referred to the lodges throughout the jurisdiction.

The committee on the Masonic Library and Museum made a strong appeal for more money with which to extend and carry on its work; but, while the homes were still unfinished, the money could not be spared. The care of the aged and the poor was felt to be a necessity; the purchase of books and Masonic relics was to a large extent a sentiment.

The committee on Masonic homes made an elaborate report; but, as the buildings are far from completion, and as it not always possible to separate construction from maintenance accounts, we make no attempt to give either the value of the properties or the cost of maintaining brethren.

M. W. Bro. Orlady, a member of the committee, collected some information, respecting Masonic homes in the United States, from which we quote:

There are Masonic Homes established in twenty-four jurisdictions; in twelve others funds are being accumulated to be applied to this design as soon as sufficient funds are secured, or proper sites selected. The aggregate of affiliated members in the jurisdictions in which homes are established and con-

templated is 825,000. The number in jurisdictions in which no home is contemplated is 40,000. The number of persons maintained in homes is 2,800; the aggregate value of Masonic homes and funds is \$4,000,000. There are but two jurisdictions with a Masonic home debt.

A proposal was made that all property now controlled by trustees of the various Masonic charities in the state should be transferred to the Grand Lodge, and all persons entitled to Masonic relief be cared for by the Grand Lodge. That proposal will be a subject for consideration during the year.

The annual grand communication was held in Philadelphia December 27, 1912. Grand Master Gorgas had a very good report to make of the condition of Masonry in his jurisdiction. All the members of the fraternity, he said seemed to be working for the same end and purpose, the upbuilding of heart and mind and the betterment of mankind. He said:

It is said a custom prevails amongst the peasantry in parts of Ireland, to leave the door of their cottage open and a light burning on Christmas Eve. This is done, it is said, by some that should the Christ child return to earth, instead of being harbored in a manger, he might have a better and more appropriate abiding place. Others say it shows a welcome to the passerby and the wayfarer.

The door of our lodges is always open and a light is always burning to welcome those, who, seeing our good work, are willing to join our ranks and be contributors to the ancient usages, customs and landmarks of the fraternity. We welcome those who come with no ulterior motive than that of doing good to mankind and bettering the human race. Our ranks have been increased by initiation within the past year by six thousand persons who voluntarily presented themselves to become brethren amongst us.

The Masonic library and museum at Philadelphia he declared to be the greatest storehouse of Masonic lore in America, and fully on par with any similar collection abroad. The bookstack contained over 11,400 volumes, exclusive of proceedings of Masonic bodies, while the collection of Masonic antiquities, relics, medals and curios in the museum was second to none in the Masonic world.

Some persons who had been rejected in Pennsylvania lodges claimed to have been made Masons elsewhere, and endeavored to visit lodges in Pennsylvania. In view of the facts the Grand Master issued an edict forbidding all Masons in the jurisdiction from extend-

ing to the said persons any Masonic recognition whatever.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence is unfortunately very brief, covering the proceedings of only seven Grand Lodges. Bro. Lamberton, the chairman, says:

The committee very much regrets that its report is so very incomplete. The chairman was delayed in beginning the report, owing to his being engaged (at the request of the Right Worshipful Grand Master) upon some other Masonic work, and a serious surgical operation and its attendant weakness effectually dissipated his hope of preparing the usual complete report in time to be printed in the proceedings of 1912.

On the 5th of June, 1913, Grand Master Gorgas, with all the principal officials of Grand Lodge, and about 25,000 Masons from all parts of the state, went by special train to Elizabethtown, to dedicate the first of the Masonic Home buildings at that place. The ceremonies of dedication were impressive and suitable to the importance of the occasion. Among the distinguished visitors were the Grand Masters of the District of Columbia, Delaware, Missouri, Maryland and North Carolina: and a number of Past Grand Masters of Pennsylvania. The grounds comprise nearly a thousand acres: and the whole property, when the buildings are finished will represent an investment of about \$5,000,000.

Lodges in Pennsylvania 486; members 105,242, an increase of 4,516.

William L. Gorgas, Masonic Temple, Philadelphia.
Grand Master.

John A. Perry, Masonic Temple, Philadelphia,
Grand Secretary.

THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

When the Philippine Islands were captured by the forces of the United States there were some Masonic lodges there, all chartered by the Grand Orient of Spain. Subsequently three lodges were chartered by the Grand Lodge of California; and, at dates which we cannot now determine, two lodges were chartered by the Grand Lodge of Scotland. On the 19th of December, 1912, representatives of the three California lodges met in convention and formed an independent Grand Lodge.

The two Scottish lodges were invited to become members of the new body, but apparently they did not respond to the invitation, and they retain their allegiance to their mother Grand Lodge. The Grand Orient of Spain is not recognized by the Grand Lodge of Canada, and we believe it is not recognized by the Grand Lodge of Scotland.

The new Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands met in annual communication at Manila February 4, 1913. Announcement was made that the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. H. Eugene Stafford, had been compelled by illness to return to the United States, and the Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Bro. George R. Harvey, presided. The representatives of the three constituent lodges were present.

A cablegram was read announcing that the Grand Master of Masons in California approved of the formation of the new Grand Lodge.

The business transacted has little general interest. Apparently a constitution was adopted at the time of the formation of the Grand Lodge. At the annual communication a seal was approved, a copy of by-laws for subordinate lodges was adopted, and some routine business was transacted. The ritual in use in California was adopted as "the work."

The Grand Secretary was instructed to cast "the unanimous ballot of the members present for the reelection of the present officers," which was done.

The three lodges have 454 members.

H. Eugene Stafford, Manila, Grand Master.

Amos G. Bellis, Manila, Grand Secretary.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

The thirty-seventh annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island was opened at Alberton June 26, 1912. H. C. McDonald Grand Master. All the lodges in the jurisdiction, fifteen in number (including one under dispensation), were represented. Five Past Grand Masters were present.

In opening his address the Grand Master said:

By Masonry we are taught our duty to ourselves as well as to our fellow man. We are required to be vigilant in guarding the rights and interests of our brethren, and that more

especially when mischievous forces and unscrupulous influences are brought to bear against them. In view of all this every member should be interested in keeping up its prestige, and one of the duties devolving upon each one of us here present when we return to our respective places of abode is to impress upon every member within our reach and influence that he is personally responsible to increase this prestige and to protect and promote the rights and interests of the several members of the fraternity.

Bro. McDonald had, during the year, visited each lodge in the jurisdiction. He thought the effect of a Grand Master's visit to be highly beneficial, and advised Past Grand Officers to do their duty in visiting lodges.

He recommended recognition of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico; but the committee on Foreign Correspondence advised delay, and the matter was laid over.

He had issued a dispensation for the formation of one new lodge, and during the session this lodge received its warrant.

The ordinary receipts and expenditures of the Grand Lodge are about \$400 yearly. The benevolent fund amounts to \$3,589.48; and \$50 were given in relief during the year.

The progress of the craft in Prince Edward Island is not great. In 1911 there were 737 members of the fifteen lodges; at the end of 1912 there were 741.

The committee on Foreign Correspondence, of which M. W. Bro. W. P. Doull is chairman, does not make a detailed report. In fact the finances of Grand Lodge will not stand the expense; but it acknowledges with gratitude receipt of the Proceedings of other bodies, and adds:

Also the usual amount of reports and other forms of literature, invitations, &c., from bodies with whom we are not in fraternal correspondence, some of them in language which does not in any way endanger their secrecy in this country. No exchange is made, but still they come.

John T. Profit, Alberton, Grand Master.

W. P. Doull, Charlottetown, Grand Secretary.

PUERTO RICO

The annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Puerto Rico was held at Humacao March 29, 1913. W. F. Lippitt, Grand Master. Lodges represented 25; unrepresented 12.

Nearly all the information we have of this communication is contained in the address of the Grand Master; and the most important item in that address is the account of the epidemic which so sorely afflicted the island during the year. Bro. Lippitt says that throughout the most trying time of the epidemic the Masons of the jurisdiction one and all proved themselves ready for any emergency and any danger that might arise. He said:

In every one of the towns that were invaded the local lodge officially, and its members personally, took appropriate action to assist the authorities in carrying out the necessary measures of sanitation, and when these measures fell hardest upon the sick and defenceless, the Masons were always there to aid and assist, and it is worthy of note, that the only organized effort made to relieve distress and want among the poor and unfortunate was made by the Masons of this jurisdiction. At a special meeting of the Grand Lodge, called for that purpose, a collection was authorized, and the amounts secured were disbursed as necessity arose in San Juan, Carolina and Dorado. And later, when the Union and Amparo Lodge of Caguas subscribed to the fund for the relief of the poor in that town, portions of the funds secured by the Grand Lodge were turned over to this lodge to aid in its good work. Immediately after the outbreak of the epidemic of plague the members of a certain religious hierarchy offered for sale charms and scraps of paper with prayers printed on them. These charms and scraps of paper were guaranteed to keep off the infection. * * * At the time when the Grand Lodge began its work of assistance the Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus announced their intention of holding a fair for the purpose of securing funds for purposes of charity, but it was not carried into effect.

During the year he had consecrated four lodges which were under dispensation at the beginning of the year. Two old lodges had been resuscitated and four lodges had ceased to work.

Work had been commenced on a Masonic temple for Grand Lodge, the cost of which was estimated at \$20,000.

There are, apparently, 37 lodges in Puerto Rico, with 1,600 members. The largest lodge has 124 members.

M. W. Bro. W. F. Lippitt was re-elected Grand Master.

Jose G. Torres, P. O. box 551, San Juan, Grand Secretary.

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA

QUEBEC

The forty-third annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Quebec was opened at Montreal February 12, 1913. Rev. Frank Charters, D.C.L., Grand Master. Lodges represented 59; unrepresented 6. Eight Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. I H. Stearns, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

In the list of those brethren who had been called away by death during the year is the name of Bro. Monmouth Spencer, of Frelighsburg Lodge, No. 33, who was made a Mason in 1848, was member of the craft for sixty-four years, and who had acted as Grand Tyler for twenty-nine years.

The Grand Master said:

The craft has made steady progress during the past year. 341 of a net increase has been added to the membership and over \$9,000.00 have been received for dues, fees and the permanent benevolent fund, a result which I feel sure will encourage us to even greater efforts in the future.

Bro. Charters had granted a warrant to one lodge, to replace a warrant which had been destroyed by fire; had granted a dispensation for the formation of one new lodge, and had in person instituted the lodge; and he had consecrated two lodges for which charters had been granted. Of the consecration of University lodge No. 84, he said: "Under the shadow of the so recent great loss, the ceremony seemed to gain in solemn impressiveness, and none who were present will forget the beautiful service." The loss was that of V. W. Bro. Dr. James C. Cameron, the acting Master of the lodge, and the Grand Senior Deacon of the Grand Lodge.

Bro. Charters had, by request, preached seven Masonic sermons during the year.

As to what may be called documentary evidence he said:

I am convinced that we have reached a time when some kind of definite action should be taken by this Grand Lodge upon the question of "proof of standing" of the Masons in this province. This matter was before Grand Lodge some few years ago, but so far no definite action has been taken. The Masons who, from time to time visit other parts of this country, or the United States, are placed in a position of discomfort and disadvantage, owing to the fact that we have no authorized

form of the proof of their Masonic standing. Not only is this so, but there appears to be a real need of such proof within the limits of our own province.

The various funds of Grand Lodge amount to \$66,668, of which amount \$22,827 stand at the credit of the benevolent fund.

The Grand Chaplain, the Rev. William Henderson, delivered a very interesting address on the genesis and characteristics of Freemasonry, from which the following extract is taken.

Some materials (for the building of the temple) were brought in ships to Joppa, which was, and is, the harbor of Palestine. When visiting there, I found that, owing to changes in sea boundary, the ancient harbor is now covered with vegetable gardens and fruit trees. It was a most difficult enterprise to carry so much material 38 miles up to Jerusalem, where the ascent is in parts 40 degrees, on rocks not then made in road form. The city is 2,540 feet higher than Joppa. I did not expect to find its walls in such good form. In earlier times it was known there were extensive excavations for stone under the city, but in centuries of war and tumult the facts were forgotten. One day, some fifty years ago, a noted scholar was walking along the north wall eastward outside the Damascus gate and noticed his sprightly dog disappearing under the wall. A small opening extended entirely through. Application was made to the city officials to excavate, and a larger opening was made. With aid of my dragoman and lights, I went in and found a large expanse in living rock, with sustaining pillars left. Niches in the rock walls where oil lamps gave light to the workmen, and marks of the toothed chisel such as the stone-squarers of Gebel would use. There are four miles of underground Jerusalem. A leading engineer says enough stone was taken here to build the city three times over.

At the election Bro. John E. Wright was chosen Grand Master and Bro. Charles W. Hagar Deputy Grand Master. A month later Bro. Hagar was called away by death. He was a most genial and companionable man, and active in all branches of Masonry. He will be greatly missed, not in Quebec only, but throughout the Dominion.

The report on Fraternal Correspondence is by M. W. Bro. E. T. D. Chambers, who always does his work well. He says that the numerical increase in the membership of the craft in Quebec is perhaps relatively greater in proportion to population than in almost any other jurisdiction. He means, of course, the population from which Masonry can obtain new members. His review of this jurisdiction is kindly and judicious.

Speaking of the Volume of the Sacred Law Bro. Chambers says:

Unless we are to exclude all but Christians and Jews from Freemasonry, we dare not make it a condition that the Bible must always be the only volume of the Sacred Law in every Masonic Lodge.

We understand that, in some lodges composed wholly or mainly of Mohammedans, the Koran is the book placed on the altar.

Lodges in Quebec 65; members 7,359, a gain of 341.

John E. Wright, Montreal, Grand Master.

Will. H. Whyte, Montreal, Grand Secretary.

QUEENSLAND

At the quarterly communication of the Grand Lodge of Queensland, held August 9, 1911, the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. A. M. Hertzberg, who had been re-elected was formally installed, and the other officers were invested. In his address the Grand Master said:

When I took office in 1909, we had about 1,800 members on the roll. Our numbers last month approximated 2,100. In 1909, we had 54 lodges in active work and one in recess. In 1911, we have 56 lodges in active work and one in recess. Our general funds now show a fair balance to credit. The benevolent fund has increased from £882 in 1909 to about £1,450 in 1911, of which £800 is invested in municipal 4 per cent. stock, and £400 is now awaiting similar investment.

He had issued a dispensation for the formation of one new lodge; and he explained that new lodges would be formed only where there was legitimate room, and where success was practically assured.

The position of the Grand Lodge is made difficult by the fact that a large proportion of the lodges in the province adhere to their mother Grand Lodge, and the Grand Lodge of England feels that it cannot tell any of its subordinate lodges that it does not want them, and that they had better drop out and affiliate with the new Grand Lodge of Queensland. Bro. Hertzberg, however, says that negotiations are being carried on, and he hopes for unity in the near future.

At the quarterly meetings held in September and December routine business was transacted, and accounts given of the dedication of several Masonic halls.

At the quarterly meeting held in March, 1912, the

Grand Lodge of Puerto Rico was recognized. The Grand Master repeated opinions he had formerly expressed, that a candidate ought not to be initiated on the evening on which he had been accepted; and that a lewis (the son of a Mason) ought not to be accepted under the age of twenty-one years.

At the quarterly communication held June 10, 1912, a cable despatch was received announcing that the Grand Lodge had been recognized by the Grand Lodge of Ireland. This announcement was received with much satisfaction, and the event was considered to have an important bearing upon the future of the Grand Lodge. A majority of its subordinate lodges were of Irish origin, and naturally the members thought the mother Grand Lodge ought to give them every possible encouragement. The initial proceedings in the formation of the Grand Lodge of Queensland were taken with the knowledge and consent of the Grand Lodge of Ireland, and the present recognition is but the natural outcome of the first consent. The new Grand Lodge has been recognized by forty-seven Grand Bodies; but the Grand Lodges of England and Scotland, and three in Australia, still hold aloof.

Grand Master Hertzberg seems to have been very active in visiting lodges throughout the jurisdiction, and to have labored incessantly for the good of the order. Apparently traveling in Queensland is not easy. The Grand Master says:

Travelling from Caboolture to Woodford in a milk wagon, the brethren will admit is not a pleasant mode of conveyance or anything that may be considered luxurious, but the railway arrangements to that town are such that a visit to it, if undertaken by rail there and back, takes fully two days, and that for a place 40 miles distant from the metropolis is an anomaly.

The benevolence of Grand Lodge seems to be actively attended to. The funds are growing, and no deserving cases are neglected. Nine orphans have been maintained "by allowances to the mothers." At each meeting of the grand body a collection is taken up "in aid of the Widows, Orphans and Aged Mason's Institution," and the governors and life governors contribute liberally.

Bro. Hertzberg was re-elected Grand Master.

Charles H. Harley, Brisbane, is Grand Secretary.

RHODE ISLAND

The one hundred and twenty-second annual communication of the Grand Lodge of "the Most Ancient and Honorable Society of Free and Accepted Masons for the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations" was opened at Providence May 20, 1912, with R. W. Wendell Richmond Davis, the Deputy Grand Master presiding. Lodges represented 32; unrepresented 5.

The first sad duty of the Deputy Grand Master, in beginning his address was to deplore the death of the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. James B. Gay. Rhode island had been singularly unfortunate in her Grand Masters. In 1910 M. W. Bro. Rugg died while in office, and in 1911 his successor shared a like fate. He was an exemplary man, citizen and Mason, and his loss is deeply deplored. An emergent meeting of Grand Lodge was held for the purpose of committing his body to the grave.

Bro. Davis had laid one corner stone, and the rest of his address related to matters of local interest only.

The committee on Ritual reported in favor of dropping the word "Ancient" from the title of the Grand Lodge. We do not know whether or not our Rhode Island brethren received their first warrants from the so-called "Ancient" Grand Lodge of England; but the committee reports that when the Grand Lodge was incorporated, in 1812, its title was "Free and Accepted Masons." Therefore they think the wording should be made uniform throughout the literature and the work.

As certain (perhaps all) of the appendant or concordant orders of Masonry in Rhode Island require their members to remain in good standing in their craft lodges, the Grand Secretary was authorized to give information relative to the good standing of members of the subordinate lodges of the jurisdiction when requested.

Lodges in Rhode Island 37; members 8,117, a gain of 306.

Wendell Richmond Davis, Bristol, Grand Master.
S. Penrose Williams, Providence, Grand Secretary.

SASKATCHEWAN

The sixth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan was opened at Prince Albert June 19, 1912. William Hopkins Grand Master.

Lodges represented 65; unrepresented 24. R. W. Bro. John M. Shaw, the representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada, was present.

The Mayor of Prince Albert welcomed members of Grand Lodge to the city, and tendered them its hospitality.

In the opening of his address Bro. Hopkins said:

It is a pleasure to me to announce that this Grand Lodge continues to prosper. The increased membership of the past year has been astonishing, and I am led to believe that with but few exceptions, the very best men in the province are being received into our institution. I believe that the moral teachings of Masonry are having an effect on not only the Masons of our province but on the citizens as well.

Last year we had a total of 83 lodges, 65 under charter and 18 under dispensation. We now have a total of 94 lodges, 77 under charter and 17 under dispensation. Our membership last year was about 4,000. It is at the present time 4,500, and it should be gratifying to the Grand Lodge to know that we are making such rapid progress.

Saskatchewan is a large province, with a widely-scattered population and widely-scattered Masonic lodges. But Bro. Hopkins is an energetic man, and he traveled to every part of his jurisdiction, instituting lodges, attending lodges of instruction, and visiting private lodges in great numbers. He insists strongly upon the value of and the need for lodges of instruction. He says:

Owing to the fact that so many new members are coming into our province from different Grand Lodge jurisdictions throughout the world, some having one work and some another, there is a tendency to bring into our work numerous irregularities, and while we have no quarrel with rites, nor claim our own to be perfect yet we insist that the work adopted by this Grand Jurisdiction must be carried out.

He recommended that dues and fees be increased by one dollar, and that this dollar be given to the Grand Lodge benevolent fund. The fund now amounts to \$4,605.

He does not approve of selecting District Deputy Grand Masters by rotation from the lodges in each district, holding that "the most qualified brother in

the district should at all times be chosen to represent the district as D. D. G. M., regardless of the lodge to which he belongs, even if it necessitates the selection of a brother from one lodge continuously."

Representatives of foreign Grand Lodges, he thinks, who fail to attend the annual communication of Grand Lodge, should be retired in favor of brethren who will appreciate the honor conferred upon them, and who will see that the bodies which have honored them are represented upon the floor of Grand Lodge.

In such a jurisdiction as Saskatchewan some crudities will inevitably be found, and many imperfections will come to light. The committee on the condition of Masonry felt it to be its duty to refer to these in plain language, and added that, in some cases "a little instruction as to the true purposes of Masonry would not be amiss." The members of the committee had reason to think that the numerous lodges of instruction would correct many of the defects of which mention had been made, and they were gratified to know that at least one lodge of instruction had been held in each district in the jurisdiction.

M. W. Bro. A. S. Gorrell, the present Grand Master, is chairman of the committee on Foreign Correspondence, and presents an excellent report of 232 pages. Throughout his report Bro. Gorrell holds that the Masonry of 1717 is the foundation of all true Masonry; and that any departure from it is to be condemned and deplored.

Lodges in Saskatchewan 94; members 4,049, an increase of 650.

Arthur Stirling Gorrell, Regina, Grand Master.

John M. Shaw, Regina, Grand Secretary.

SCOTLAND

It is not the easiest thing in the world to extract from the printed Proceeding of the Grand Lodge of Scotland those parts which are of value and of interest to Canadian Masons. The difficulty is greater than usual this year because all of the quarterly reports have not reached us.

It seems strange that the municipality of Edinburgh should seek to collect income tax from a bene-

volent fund; yet such appears to have been the case. At the May meeting—

It was reported that the claim by the Commissioners of Inland Revenue for corporation duty on the income of the benevolent and annuity funds had been appealed against, and that the petition and appeal had been considered by the Lords of the First Division of the Court of Session, who had unanimously sustained the appeal of Grand Lodge for exemption of these funds, and had ordained the Commissioners to return the sums already paid on behalf of these funds, with interest at 4 per cent. from 5th December 1911, and also to pay Grand Lodge the expenses of the appeal proceedings.

In the report of the same meeting we find this entry:

A letter was submitted from the Grand Lodge of Chile, making explanations in regard to the report that that Grand Lodge had countenanced the admission of a female to one of its lodges during the conferring of a degree. It was resolved to accept as satisfactory their explanations, in denial of the report, and to recommend that the Scottish lodges in Chile be permitted to resume fraternal relationship with the lodges holding of the Grand Lodge of Chile.

In November a motion was introduced asking the Grand Committee to formulate a scheme whereby the minimum initiation fee be increased "in keeping with the present status of the Grand Lodge of Scotland." But an amendment prevailed "That Grand Lodge remits to Grand Committee to take into consideration the advisability of raising the minimum fee for initiation, to make such enquiry as they think proper, and to report."

At the annual communication, November 29, 1912, the Marquess of Tullibardine was installed Grand Master, and the other grand officers were invested.

The festival of St. Andrew followed. In proposing the toast of The City of Edinburgh, the Rev. George Christie, Junior Grand Chaplain, said:

I am quite certain that Scotsmen, wherever they come from, cannot walk those storied streets and look upon those carven stones of the Mound, those palaces and towers, without feeling that here at least they are touching something of our national life, and that the hand rests on the very pulse of the country that we are in. We cannot look at that wondrous way that slopes down from the Castle to the old Palace of Holyrood, without thinking of the vision of kings and princes, prelates, presbyters, and poets, whose names are sweet and whose charms go down through the ages. That is one of the inspirations of Edinburgh, and he is surely deaf and dull in soul who does not feel the spirit of it all as he stands in our streets.

In responding to the toast of The Grand Lodge, the Grand Master said:

Now, brethren, we have made enormous strides in this country and throughout the world. The grand total of Scottish Freemasons has been increased during the past year by 12,702 new members, as compared with 12,552 last year. The income of Grand Lodge during the past year has been £10,834 as against £10,794 in the previous year—an increase of £40. In 1911 the income of Grand Lodge was £10,794, and the expenditure £3,653. This year the income is £10,834, and the expenditure £4,156. During 1912 the grants from the benevolent fund have amounted to £1,132. The sum of £2,840 has been paid to annuitants this year, and since the formation of the annuity fund in 1889 the sum of £38,900 has been disbursed in this direction. The amount contributed this year to the fund by daughter lodges amounted to £1,618, as compared with £1,510 last year, and for the fourteen years, 1899 to 1912, the subscriptions have amounted to £15,000.

During the year charters had been issued to fifteen new lodges.

The lodge which initiated Jack Johnson, the negro pugilist appealed against the sentence of suspension, and the appeal came before Grand Lodge at the quarterly communication in August, when it was dismissed. The following is the account of the proceeding:

Grand Lodge then proceeded to a consideration of the appeals by (1) Lodge Forfar and Kincardine, Dundee, No. 225, against the sentence of suspension pronounced against it by Grand Committee on account of the irregularities of which the lodge had been found guilty; and (2) by Brothers Robert Thomson Blues, Right Worshipful Master, George Smith, John Ross, and Alexander S. Low, Past Masters of that lodge, against the sentences of suspension pronounced upon them arising out of the same matter. There appeared Brother W. C. Smith, K.C., as procurator for the Lodge; Brother Walter T. Watson, Advocate, as procurator for Brother Blues, Right Worshipful Master, and Past Masters Smith and Ross; and Brother Boyd M. M'Crae, solicitor, Dundee, as procurator for Past Master Low. Brother W. C. Smith, K.C., was first heard on behalf of the lodge, and thereafter Brother Watson on behalf of his constituents. Brother M'Crae adopted the arguments of the two previous pleaders, and did not put forward any special arguments on behalf of Brother Low. Thereupon Brother W. Munro Denholm, Proxy Master, No. 6, Past Senior Grand Warden, moved approval of Grand Committee's findings and sentences, and stated concisely the result of the enquiry of the special sub-Committee appointed to investigate the case, and the facts upon which Grand Committee had gone in pronouncing judgment. The motion was seconded by Brother Joseph Inglis, W.S., Provincial Grand Master of Kincardineshire, Junior Grand Deacon, and, on the matter being put to a vote, Grand Committee's decision was upheld by an overwhelming majority. As a result of

Grand Lodge's decision, Lodge Forfar and Kincardine, Dundee, No. 225, stands suspended until the 1st November 1913; Brother Robert Thomson Blues, Right Worshipful Master of the Lodge, stands suspended until 17th April 1914; and Brothers George Smith, John Ross, and Alexander S. Low, Past Masters of the lodge, stand suspended until 17th April 1913.

The united funds of Grand Lodge amounted to £151,397, or about \$750,000.

There are 1,194 lodges on the Scottish register, of which 753 are in Scotland.

The Marquess of Tullibardine Grand Master.

David Reid, 96 George street, Edinburgh, Grand Secretary.

SOUTH CAROLINA

The one hundred and thirty-sixth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of South Carolina was opened at Charleston December 10, 1912. George S. Mower Grand Master. Lodges represented 232; unrepresented 14. Eight Past Grand Masters were present. The representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada was not.

The Grand Master reported that the craft within the jurisdiction had prospered, and had upheld the reputation of the fraternity. There was harmony among the brethren of the state and peace with all other jurisdictions. A proposal for another conference of Grand Masters had been received, and he believed that these conferences had been productive of good. At a later stage of the proceedings the Grand Master was authorized to attend this conference.

He deplored the death of Past Grand Master James Ferdinand Izlar, who was born in 1832; was Grand Master in 1879; and died on the 26th of May, 1912. Not only was he distinguished as a Mason, but, says Bro. Mower, "he served his state and church faithfully and with distinction, as a private citizen, as a soldier, as a statesman, and as a jurist."

The Grand Master had refused to permit a corner stone to be laid on Sunday. He said: "I understand that, under the Masonic law, a communication cannot be held on the Sabbath for the purpose of work or any business, excepting, of course, funeral occasions and cases of charity."

He had ruled that "a member who has taken the Past Master and Royal Arch degrees, but has never served the lodge as Master, is not entitled to be present when the Past Master's degree is being conferred upon a newly elected Master." He was undoubtedly right. Craft Masonry knows nothing of degrees conferred by any of the concordant orders.

For many years it had been felt that the requirement as to physical qualification in South Carolina was too strict. The Grand Master strongly approved a proposed amendment as follows:

Every candidate for initiation in this Jurisdiction must be without maim or defect in his body or mind that may render him incapable of learning or practising the art, and who can comply literally with all the requirements as to initiation ceremonies without artificial aid or friendly assistance.

Subsequently this was adopted.

The fund for the building of a Masonic home was reported to have reached the sum of \$73,000; more than \$10,000 had been contributed during the year. The Grand Master was of opinion that the home ought not to be built until the fund would not only suffice to build the house but to provide an adequate endowment fund.

He appointed a Historical committee, whose duty it should be to write a history of the Grand Lodge and also of the subordinate lodges when practicable.

A pleasing feature of the communication was the presentation of a beautiful silver pitcher to Past Grand Master James R. Johnson.

M.W. Bro. J. L. Michie presented the Correspondence report, which is full, interesting and valuable. It deals with Proceedings of sixty seven jurisdictions, and three of these are for two years each, so that there are seventy reports in all.

Bro. Michie falls into error when he says that M. W. Bro. Macwatt in 1911 granted twenty dispensations "to take candidates by the rapid transit route." There is no rapid transit in this jurisdiction. What happened was this: In some cases candidates, such as bank clerks, railway employees and others, had never lived long enough in one place to acquire a residence for Masonic purposes. In such cases the Grand Master, if he is satisfied of the facts, issues a dispensation to

the lodge to receive and act upon the petitions. In other cases candidates who receive a degree at an emergent meeting are advanced at the next regular meeting, which is contrary to our constitution. When the irregularity is discovered the Grand Master, if he thinks the breach of law to be due to want of knowledge or to inadvertence, issues a dispensation to do what has already being done. This may not be quite regular, but it is thought better than to declare the conferring of a degree to be irregular, which would punish the candidate for the fault of another. The fee for the dispensation is \$10, and the lodge which is called upon to pay it once will probably not be caught napping a second time.

Returning to the glove question, Bro. Michie says:

Bro. Freed quotes from number seven of the "General Regulations," compiled by Grand Master Payne, and adopted by our mother Grand Lodge on St. John the Baptist's Day in 1721, but the gloves therein referred to were never intended to be worn inside the lodge hall at regular meetings, but only when the lodge appeared in public.

We should like to know what authority there is for that statement. Our impression is that gloves were part of the ordinary Masonic clothing, worn in lodge before Masonic processions were ever dreamed of. The newly accepted candidate was sometimes required to furnish aprons and gloves for all the members present at his initiation, and sometimes he was supplied by the lodge with an apron and pair of gloves, being charged an additional fee therefor. In the minutes of the old lodge at the Goose and Gridiron, the first of the four which formed the Grand Lodge of England, are the following entries:

1738—5 Decr. Pd. for Gloves & Aprons for Br. Garnit & Br. Midford which was Omitted when they was Made—8/.

1739—5 June. paid Bror. Edward Chapman for two pair of Gloves as his ffee, being made in this lodge, 3/.

1751—14 April. Joseph Simonds was made a Mason & admitted a member the Brethren complimenting our Bror. with his Apron & pr. of Gloves.

A recent article in *Ars Quatuor Coronatorum* says, speaking of the old lodge at the Goose and Girdiron:

Aprons and gloves are frequently referred to in the accounts and minutes, the gloves, however, not being such a prominent item after the early period. It cost the lodge at first $1/3$ and later $1/6$ for each apron presented to a candidate, being charged

up in the accounts, and the gloves were 1/3 to 1/6 the pair, the candidates being clothed at the expense of the lodge, the reverse of the custom in many other lodges, where the initiate had to "clothe the lodge," that is present a pair of gloves to each member, and sometimes to a female relative of each.

It is not of supreme importance whether Masons do or do not wear gloves in lodge or in Grand Lodge: it is not wholly without interest to learn that in the early days ordinary Masonic clothing consisted of aprons and gloves.

As to the garments which ought to be worn at communications of the Grand Lodge of Canada, Bro. Michie says:

If our good brother will consult the record he will find that Grand Master Macwatt's language could not possibly be construed to mean that only Grand officers were referred to in his ruling or recommendation.

We have consulted the record, and cannot find that Grand Master Macwatt said anything on the subject; but we find a resolution passed at the meeting of the Board of General Purposes, "That the officers appear in future in dark clothes (not evening dress.)"

Lodges in South Carolina 246; number of members not reported.

George S. Mower, Grand Master.

O. Frank Hart, Columbia, Grand Secretary.

SOUTH DAKOTA

The thirty-eighth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of South Dakota was opened at Deadwood June 11, 1912. Charles L. Brockway Grand Master. Lodges represented 113; unrepresented 14. Fifteen Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. William E. Milligan, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

In the opening of his address the Grand Master said:

It affords me much pleasure, and I believe it will be a source of satisfaction to you, to report that with little exception peace and harmony prevails throughout the jurisdiction in the lodges and among the brethren. There has been growth in numbers of members, but what is more to the point, I am warranted in saying there has been a marked growth in interest and settled determination to make the order what it should be in the communities and in the state.

During the year eight lodges had been consecrated; dispensations had been granted for the formation of seven new lodges; and three corner stones were laid.

Fraternal relations were authorized with the Grand Lodge of Hamburg, the Grand Orient of Belgium, and (apparently) with the "International Masonic Club," at London.

The Grand Charity fund had grown to more than \$7,000. This, the Grand Master said, was not a great fund, but it showed what could be done by keeping at it, even in a small way.

In his report the Grand Secretary said:

Many inquiries have been made during the year as to the worthiness of several chain letters, the larger number and the most persistent relating to the McKinley monument. This subject has been treated several times in this grand body, and it would seem that the members of the subordinate lodges ought to be well informed by this time so that no written appeal whatsoever for financial assistance should receive their attention unless endorsed by the Grand Master. A chain letter is a fake upon its inception and particularly so the McKinley monument letter, as the scheme was never authorized by any one who is willing to admit it; Judge Day to whom the dimes are sent is not a Mason and denies knowing anything about the letter, and what is more, the McKinley monument was erected long ago and paid for in full.

M. W. Bro. S. A. Brown continues the Foreign Correspondence, which he conducts with ability. He continues the portraits of Grand Secretaries, with the exception of those who are too modest or too prudent to send photographs. Bro. Brown disclaims credit for this practice, which, he says, should be given to R. W. Bro. George A. Pettigrew, the Grand Secretary.

Lodges in South Dakota 134; members 9,701, a gain of 800.

William J. McMakin, Terraville, Grand Master.

George A. Pettigrew, Sioux Falls, Grand Secretary.

TASMANIA

The twenty-second annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Tasmania was held at Launceston February 27, 1913. Hon. C. E. Davies Grand Master. Lodges represented 14; unrepresented 17. "The Worshipful Masters, Past Masters and Wardens of numerous lodges" were also reported to be in attendance.

The Board of Purposes reported that "nothing of an extraordinary nature" had occurred during the year to call for special mention.

One imposter had been heard of in the jurisdiction, and the lodges had been warned to give him no encouragement.

Owing to the failure of a mining field one lodge had gone backward; all the others were doing well.

The Board of Benevolence had attended to all appeals coming before it, expending £261. The invested funds amount to more than £4,000.

The Pro Grand Master reported that the lodges showed a steady increase in membership, and he believed that they used the greatest precautions in electing fresh candidates. At the same time the lodges were in good condition financially, and peace and harmony prevailed among the brethren.

Most Worshipful C. E. Davies was re-elected Grand Master for the eighteenth time. His address was mainly of local interest. From it we take the following lines, which he employed to figure Masonry.

Her flowing raiment pure as virgin snow,
Or fabled field where fairest lilies grow,
A milk-white lamb ran sporting by her side,
As innocence her manner dignified.
Her whole deportment harmony and love,
Tempered with meekness from the realms above.
A blazing star upon her front she wore;
A cornucopia in her hand she bore.
Where'er she trod the sciences arose;
Where'er she breath'd confusion shamed her foes:
Dismayed they fled, nor dar'd to look behind,
For foes of her were foes of human kind.

There is a brief report on Foreign Correspondence.
John Hamilton, Hobart, Grand Secretary.

TENNESSEE

The ninety-ninth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Tennessee was opened at Nashville January 29, 1913. J. Lynn Bachman Grand Master. Lodges represented 413; unrepresented 18. Eighteen Past Grand Masters were present. The representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada is not recorded as present.

The Grand Master reported the death of Americus

V. Warr, with one exception the senior Past Grand Master of the jurisdiction. He was made a Mason in 1862; was Worshipful Master of his lodge in 1865; and was elected Grand Master in 1877 without having served in any subordinate Grand Lodge office. For forty-six years he attended every annual communication of Grand Lodge with two exceptions. The Grand Master said of him: "He left his impress on Masonry in Tennessee * * * * He went to his grave loved and honored by all who knew him, Mason and non-Mason alike."

Five special communications of Grand Lodge had been held during the year, all for the laying of corner stones.

Five lodges were consecrated, and a dispensation was granted for the formation of one new lodge.

The Widows and Orphans Home was reported to be in a flourishing condition. In response to an appeal from the Grand Master a special contribution of \$1,944 was made to the support of the home.

Bro. Bachman made a strong appeal for the establishment of an old Mason's home. He said:

The old Mason—three score years and ten have passed over his head—alone—no children—wife under the green sod. Tottering along, he lies not down to pleasant dreams. Anxiety for to-morrow stalks forth like a ghost; hunger tugging at his weakened nerves, he cries, Brethren, just a little bread, just a little fire, just a little cot, for just a little while and from tear bedimmed eyes twenty-six thousand picked men of Tennessee, twenty-six thousand men behind white aprons, come into the vision of the old man's dream and whisper to him, a brother in need shall never want, bread and water shall be sure, all your days, and a warm little bed shall be yours, my brother, and he smiles, and in the morning silent and still upon the little bed, my old Mason and brother, smiles a smile that will be there on resurrection morning.

The annual cost of maintaining an inmate of the Widows and Orphans Home was about \$165.

M. W. Bro. Henry A. Chambers is chairman of the committee on Foreign Correspondence, and he presents an excellent and well-digested, though condensed, report. In referring to a ruling by M. W. Bro. White, of this jurisdiction, Bro. Chambers said: "It seems from this first ruling that in Canada the by-laws of each lodge determine how many black balls are necessary to reject." The statement is correct to this extent: in

any lodge a candidate against whom two black balls are cast must be declared a rejected candidate; but any lodge may at its pleasure provide that one black ball shall reject.

There are 455 lodges in Tennessee, with 26,242 members, an increase of 653.

Charles Comstock, Crossville, Grand Master.

John B. Garrett, Nashville, Grand Secretary.

TEXAS

The seventy-seventh annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Texas was opened at Waco December 3, 1912. Sam P. Cochran Grand Master. Lodges represented 462; unrepresented 398. Nineteen Past Grand Masters were present; also R. W. Bro. Elmer Renfro, representing the Grand Lodge of Canada.

The Grand Master congratulated the brethren upon prosperity within the jurisdiction and peace and amity with the entire Masonic world. He reported the death of Dr. Thomas Matthews, Past Grand Master and chairman of the committee on Foreign Correspondence, who died in June, 1912, at the age of 82 years. Bro. Matthews was made a Mason in 1854 and was elected Grand Master in 1881.

Twenty-three lodges were consecrated, and dispensations were issued for the formation of eight new lodges.

A lodge which met on Saturday evening conferred a degree on a candidate after twelve o'clock at night, that is in the early hours of Sunday morning. The Grand Master decided that the degree was illegally conferred, and directed a properly qualified brother to "heal" the candidate.

Among the Grand Master's rulings are the following:

A member of a lodge who is blind, but otherwise qualified to vote, is entitled to cast his ballot.

A protest against the advancement of a candidate made by telephone to the Master of a lodge is valid; but this method of protesting should only be used with great care and precaution.

Where a lodge passes from the Entered Apprentice to the Master's degree without changing the position of the great lights, and ballot is then spread on a petition for advancement,

the failure to change the position of the lights has no effect on the validity of the ballot.

Unlawful killing involves moral turpitude, and an attempt thereat is a Masonic offense, whether the person assaulted was a Mason or a profane.

The law of the Grand Lodge of Texas forbids the use of the word "Mason" or "Masonic" in connection with any commercial or business enterprise, and it is a Masonic offense for any Mason in this State to solicit business for any company, association or organization so using said word or words, or making use of Masonry for business or secular purposes. It is not a violation of Masonic law for a Mason to individually hold membership in, or insure with, a Masonic Life Association or Company, for his own account and not as a business representative.

Honorary memberships in lodges in this State are not permitted.

Some clandestine Masons pretended that they had been made in a negro lodge. The Grand Master very properly declined to have anything to do with them; and they then endeavored to get an act of incorporation from the state government; but they were unsuccessful in that attempt also.

The trustees for the Masonic Home reported that "the present assets of the home amount in value to \$426,000, and there are no liabilities." They said:

There are twenty-nine such homes in successful operation in the United States, and eight other Grand Jurisdictions are accumulating a fund for the same purpose. These homes provide accommodation for over 3,000 beneficiaries, and during their existence have sheltered and cared for 6,000, the total value of the property exceeding \$6,000,000.00. Most of these homes are owned by the Grand Lodge, though some are controlled by a board of directors elected by the several Grand Bodies; there being two notable exceptions, one in Iowa owned and maintained by the Order of the Eastern Star, and our Home for Aged Masons in Texas, owned by the Grand Royal Arch Chapter. While some have a large endowment fund, all are chiefly maintained by a per capita tax, and in most states that tax is larger than for our own home in Texas. In practically all of these homes the children attend the public free schools, and the average per capita cost of maintenance of all, including aged Masons, widows and children, is one hundred and ninety-eight dollars, more than it has ever cost the Grand Lodge of Texas to maintain our home, where we employ our own teachers and have our school directly under our own control and management.

The committee on Jurisprudence (and Grand Lodge adopted the report) declared that a candidate must be able "to receive, practice and impart freely and without

artificial or other aid, all the rites and ceremonies of Ancient Craft Masonry, including Masonic work in the lodge room, and shall possess the mental and physical ability to earn his livelihood in his chosen occupation outside the lodge room."

For a quarter of a century M. W. Bro. Thomas M. Matthews was chairman of the committee on Foreign Correspondence. He had not finished his review for the year when death called him in June 1912; but the other members of the committee deemed it best to submit the report just as Bro. Matthews left it. Therefore it covers the Proceedings of forty-four Grand Lodges only. Bro. Matthews was a correspondent who always strove to be just and fair; he was studious and industrious; and his experience and natural ability gave great weight and value to his opinions. He will be greatly missed and long remembered.

Lodges in Texas 860; members 56,071, an increase of 2,161.

J. J. Mansfield, Columbus, Grand Master.

John Watson, Waco, Grand Secretary.

UTAH

The forty-second annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Utah was opened at Salt Lake City January 21, 1913. In the enforced absence of the Grand Master (Bro. S. H. Goodwin) the Deputy Grand Master presided. Fourteen lodges were represented. Sixteen Past Grand Masters were present; also R. W. Bro. Alexander Topence, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

The address of the Grand Master was read by the Grand Secretary. It reported the craft to be in a most satisfactory condition throughout the jurisdiction. "Everywhere," said the Grand Master, "I found enthusiasm and unity and harmony, as well as a common purpose to interpret to the world the spirit of Masonry as a regnant force in individual and community life."

He deplored the death of R. W. Bro. Christopher Diehl, who had been Grand Secretary and chairman of the committee on Foreign Correspondence for forty years. He was a good man, a good Mason, of inestimable value to his brethren in Utah, and highly esteemed

as a member of the corps of correspondents. He was born at Butzbach, Germany, and was 81 years old at the time of his death.

A communication was received from the York Grand Lodge of Mexico asking advice as to the desirability of recognizing a second Grand Lodge in that jurisdiction to be composed entirely of Spanish speaking lodges, working according to the Scottish rite. The committee to which this request was referred recommended that, owing to the unsettled condition of affairs in that country, the matter be left over for one year.

Two lodges were consecrated during the year.

The Grand Master had declined to permit Uintah Lodge to solicit subscriptions for the purpose of placing a bust of Grand Secretary Diehl in the office of the Grand Secretary. He thought it was the duty of the Grand Lodge to recognize the services of its late Grand Secretary. Subsequently a committee was appointed to undertake the duty.

Bro. Goodwin said:

During the year I have had numerous applications for decisions and opinions, all of which I have answered by referring the applicant to the section and article in the code, or to the supplementary legislation, adopted since 1898, and printed in each year's Proceedings. The time may not be ripe for a recommendation in view of this condition, but I would earnestly urge upon the Worshipful Masters and Secretaries the necessity for a reasonable degree of familiarity with the fundamental laws of our institution as presented in the Code, and with the by-laws of their respective lodges.

The individual view of this present writer is that a reading of the constitution and of the by-laws of his lodge should be required of every Master elect before his installation. If that were done Grand Masters would be saved much trouble.

R. W. Bro. Charles B. Jack, the new Grand Secretary, is also chairman of the committee on Foreign Correspondence. He takes hold of the work as if he understood his business, and gives promise of being a valuable member of the corps. Owing to the shortness of the time at his disposal, he did not review the Pro

ceedings of any Grand Lodges outside of the United States.

Lodges in Utah 17; members 2,081, a gain of 102.

George Henry Dern, Salt Lake City, Grand Master.

Charles B. Jack, Salt Lake City, Grand Secretary.

VERMONT

The one hundred and nineteenth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Vermont was opened at Burlington June 12, 1912. Henry L. Ballou Grand Master. Lodges represented 76; unrepresented 27. Eight Past Grand Masters were present; the representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada was not.

The Masonic history of Vermont for the year was uneventful. There was moderate progress, harmony throughout the jurisdiction, and peace with all other jurisdictions. In August, 1911, the Grand Master laid the corner stone of a Masonic temple at Bennington; in January, 1912, he dedicated a lodge room at Vergennes; and in June, 1912, he laid the corner stone of a Masonic temple at St. Johnsbury.

Judge Alfred A. Hall, who was Grand Master in 1887, died on the 21st of January, 1912. He was a man of great ability, and his death is deeply mourned, not only by his Masonic brethren, but by citizens of all classes throughout the state.

In opening his address Grand Master Ballou said:

It is with satisfaction that we view the usefulness of our institution. Working oftentimes in ways unknown to those outside its pale, it has nevertheless been a potent factor in molding the life of our state. Its work has largely been associated with the fountain of all life, the human soul. By its symbolism, its constant reiteration of the great spiritual truths in its ritual and charges, Masonry has been working most profoundly, though silently to the outside world, in bringing a better day for our commonwealth. As quietly and as powerfully it has worked on the hearts of its votaries as have the mighty forces of nature that brought the spring and the summer out of the winter. The results have been most marked though the agency has been hidden. The unloosing of ice-streams, the banishment of snow and cold, the bursting out of pastures and forests and fields into green, the clothing of gardens and orchards with blossoms, are some of the brilliant results of springtime; but the cause and the beginning have not attracted attention. It is in the silent sunbeam and the gentle caress of the south wind. It is hidden among the silent forces, as quiet and unobtrusive as the breath of a child.

He had received a letter from the Masons of Puerto Rico, who wished assistance in securing from the United States authorities "a greater degree of self-government." Bro. Ballou said: "I believe that our knowledge of local conditions is so meager that we are not justified in taking any action in connection with the request." No action respecting self-government was taken, but the Grand Lodge of Puerto Rico was recognized, and the Grand Master was authorized to exchange representatives with that body.

Bro. Ballou believes that if the representative system is to continue it ought to be a reality, and not a sham. He said:

If a Grand Lodge is to have a representative, such office should be held by a Mason who is not incapacitated or indisposed to attend Grand Lodge, but by one who is an active, enthusiastic craftsman, who can be counted upon to respond to his name when the roll of Grand Representatives is called. If we are to maintain the system, it must be awake, not dormant. Because I believe in the system when maintained as the fathers in Masonry intended it should be, I directed the Grand Secretary to advise certain of our sister jurisdictions that a change in their representative would promote better representation. As they readily acted upon the suggestion, a number of changes have been made during the past year. I wish it might be that when in the future a representative discovers that he can attend Grand Lodge but occasionally, he would immediately resign that a Mason who can attend may be appointed.

The Grand Secretary reported 103 lodges in the state, with 13,443 members, an increase of 308. The cash receipts amounted to \$9,491.50.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by M. W. Bro. Marsh O. Perkins, whose work is done in a workmanlike manner, with ability and discretion. After reviewing the Proceedings of sixty-one Grand Lodges. Bro. Perkins was moved to say:

Everywhere has been found activity, progress, a broader conception of Masonic duty and more extended practice of Masonic precept. Prosperity reigns; peace and harmony generally abound. Jurisdictional differences are still with us, but are gradually yielding to the ameliorating influences of Masonic public sentiment. We do not mean to affirm that the millennium is at hand. No one anticipates that in his day and generation. But with rare exception, greater consideration than ever before is accorded differences of law and usage obtaining in the several grand jurisdictions, all tending to dignify and strengthen Masonic effort. Picayunish policies are being abandoned. Masonic independence is becoming more independent each year

in the true sense of the word, viz: Generous, fraternal recognition of the rights of others. In this is found the growing strength and beauty of the union of hearts and hands in the grand work of a Great Fraternity. May nothing ever lessen its grandeur or its magnificent power for the uplift, in its quiet peaceful way, of humanity.

Eugene S. Weston. New Haven, Grand Master.

Henry H. Ross, Burlington, Grand Secretary.

VIRGINIA

The one hundred and thirty-fourth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Virginia was opened at Richmond February 13, 1912. William B. McChesney Grand Master. Six Past Grand Masters were present: the representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada was not.

The Grand Master had only good things to report of the Craft in his jurisdiction. He said:

We should rejoice that throughout the year gentle peace has reigned, and not once have I been called upon to decide differences or adjust dissensions. All has been peace. That our march has been onward in all directions is evidenced by results. Our membership has grown greatly, and I believe that the material is of the kind that will bring strength to our order. Without any attempt at comparison, all the indications to-day are that we are as ritualists in a better condition than ever before. Interest is growing still and the work in the lodges is being done with an enthusiasm that can but bring perfection. That it was necessary that I should make a call for the aid of our Masonic Home during the year was unfortunate, but the response shows that charity is still alive and active.

He reported the death of M. W. Bro. Beverly Randolph Wellford. Bro. Wellford was born in 1828; was initiated in the lodge in which George Washington was initiated; was Master of that lodge in 1854; and, says Bro. McChesney, "his work in Masonry is left on almost every page of the Proceedings of this Grand Lodge in the last half century." He was Grand Master in 1878 and 1879.

Dispensations were granted for the formation of two new lodges.

The Grand Master refused to permit a lodge to lay a corner stone on Sunday, "although approved by the church, Master of the lodge, Grand Officer and Past Grand Master." And he was right.

He recommended an increase of the per capita tax

in aid of the Masonic Home. In response to that recommendation Grand Lodge adopted a resolution making the per capita dues \$1.50 annually, of which fifty per cent. is to be turned over to the home.

The Masonic Home is for children only. It had 60 inmates; and the cost of maintenance for one year is about \$15,000, which includes maintenance of the school. The endowment fund amounts to \$30,000; the rest of the money for maintenance is provided by Grand Lodge and by voluntary contributions from Masonic bodies.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. J. W. Eggleston. It is a good report, and gives a faithful representation of the doings of sixty-three Grand Lodges. There is not much comment, but the photograph has sharp lines and is in good perspective. Bro. Eggleston himself says the report is as good as he could make it; and he knows better than anybody else whether it is good or bad. He is chatty, chirpy and cheerful; and when one finishes his review of a Grand Lodge he feels that the writer of that review wanted to make the story as flattering as possible, while not willing to sacrifice the truth.

The York Grand Lodge of Mexico having made overtures to the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico (or met overtures from that body—we are not sure which), looking to a reunion of the two bodies, Bro. Eggleston says: "We think the above a mistake. York Masonry alone suits Anglo-Saxons, and Latins can never understand or appreciate it." We should not like to go so far as that. Some of the noblest Masons on earth are in the ranks of Latin Freemasonry. If we could put ourselves in the place of those brethren perhaps we should have more charity for them. For centuries they have been persecuted, proscribed and oppressed. They have been denied civil rights, they have been driven from business, they have been imprisoned, they have even been put to death, and after death denied the right of decent sepulture. If, under these circumstances, they have in self defense snatched up weapons which primitive Masonry does not recognize can we wonder? Let us hope that in time the need for such weapons may cease to exist, and that our erring bre-

thren may return to more legitimate methods. But for the present let us have charity for them.

R. W. Bro. George Carrington died at his home in Richmond on the 4th of February, 1913. He was born in 1838; made a Mason in 1867; and had been Grand Secretary since 1895. He was a prominent figure in Virginia Masonry.

Lodges in Virginia 321; members 22,843, a gain of 1,256.

William L. Andrews, Roanoke, Grand Master.

George W. Carrington, Richmond, Grand Secretary.

WASHINGTON

The fifty-fifth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Washington was opened at Seattle June 11, 1912. David S. Prescott Grand Master. Lodges represented 178, including 9 under dispensation; unrepresented 5. Sixteen Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. Yancey C. Blalock, representing the Grand Lodge of Canada.

George F. Cotterill, Mayor of Seattle, and Edgar J. Wright, chairman of the Masters and Wardens' club of Seattle (both Masons), welcomed Grand Lodge to the city in excellent speeches, which were fittingly responded to by the Junior Grand Warden.

Grand Master Prescott reported that nothing had arisen during the year to disturb harmonious relations with sister jurisdictions.

He had received requests from the Grand Masters of Puerto Rico and Belgium asking that fraternal relations be established and representatives exchanged. These requests were referred to the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, which reported against present recognition. The like reply was made to the York Grand Lodge of Mexico.

A lodge in Washington received a petition from a gentleman who had been rejected by a lodge in Illinois; and as Illinois claims perpetual jurisdiction over rejected material, the Master of the Washington lodge asked the Grand Master to advise him what he ought to do. The reply of Bro. Prescott was as follows:

In answer to your favor of the 20th relative to the rejection

of material in the Grand Jurisdiction of Illinois, would state the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Washington does not claim perpetual jurisdiction over rejected material, nor does it recognize such perpetual jurisdiction by other Grand Lodges.

Under these circumstances it would not be proper for Sunnyside Lodge to ask the Illinois lodge for a waiver of jurisdiction. Sunnyside lodge should, however, exercise greater care and precaution in the investigation of petitions of those who have previously been rejected. If Mr. Teitgen has gained a legal and Masonic residence and conducted himself properly, no objection would be made to receiving his petition in the usual way.

Among the Grand Master's decisions was one to the effect that the head waiter in a restaurant or cafe where liquor is sold as a beverage cannot receive the degrees. He recommended that "moonlight" lodges change their by-laws and have some definite night of the week and month for their meetings.

He had consecrated eight lodges, and granted dispensations for the formation of nine new lodges.

He had dedicated three Masonic temples, and laid four corner stones.

He did not think an apron ought to be presented to an Entered Apprentice at initiation "as his own property." This seems reasonable. The Entered Apprentice, no doubt, expects to go on in Masonry and become a Master Mason, and no doubt the members of the lodge expect him to do so. Why, then, give him an apron which will in a month or two become useless? Bro. Prescott says:

I am in full accord with the custom of presenting a lamb-skin apron at the conclusion of the third degree, with the name of the recipient, dates of the several degrees, and name and number of his lodge inscribed under the flap; then a suitable presentation address along Masonic lines would be permissible.

On the first day of the communication the officers and members of Grand Lodge took train for Puyallup, where the Masonic Home was formally dedicated, with imposing ceremonies, to humanity, hospitality and brotherly love.

M. W. Bro. Ralph C. McAllaster presents the report on Foreign Correspondence. This is his first essay, and it is but justice to him to say that it is a good one. He falls to some extent into error when he says:

Bro. Freed seems to be one of the pillars of opposition to the Eastern Star in Canada. But he might just as well come to it sooner as later, unless the women of Canada are of a different mould from their Yankee sisters. If his lodge room would be profaned by the entrance of his Seattle sister, then indeed are they magnificent men who are worthy to enter there.

There is no opposition to the Eastern Star in this part of Canada. The ladies are quite at liberty to form bodies of that order, and we understand that some of them do. But our constitution forbids Masonic lodges to occupy rooms jointly with non-Masonic bodies. The Eastern Star is a non-Masonic body, therefore the members are denied access to Masonic lodge rooms. That is all.

In his concluding remarks Bro. McAllaster says:

The growing assumption by Grand Lodges of many of the functions which belong strictly to the local lodge seems very evident. Compulsory insurance, compulsory boards of relief, restrictions upon the management of real estate of the lodges, compulsory use of Grand Lodge-provided ballot boxes, and many other matters of detail are creeping in here and there which Grand Lodges should recognize as not belonging to them at all. No wonder some fellows, seeing to what length the lodges have permitted them to go, are anxious for a National Grand Lodge, that they may have more worlds to conquer. Many of the requirements are salutary, but they should be advisory, not mandatory. The proceedings of some Grand Lodges read like the mandates of despotic power, not like the consultation and legislation of a representative body. Listen, brethren, to brother Gorrell of Saskatchewan when he says, "Get back, get back, to the simplicity of our fathers, when lodges had some rights and were not smothered in the injudicious attempts of grand bodies to legislate for every evil of the craft."

Possibly some Grand Lodges do interfere unnecessarily with the private affairs of the constituent lodges; but it should be borne in mind that Grand Lodge is composed wholly of the representatives of the lodges, and after all the constituent lodges make the laws.

Lodges in Washington 183; members 17,119, a gain of 1,443.

Frank N. McCandless, Tacoma, Grand Master.

Horace W. Tyler, Tacoma, Grand Secretary.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

The volume of Proceedings from Western Australia covers four quarterly communications, "from April, 1911 to April, 1912."

At the first communication, held July 27, 1911, R. W. Bro. J. S. Battye, the Deputy Grand Master, presided, the Grand Master being in England. Announcement was made that four copies of the Proceedings had been sent to each lodge, "in the hope that they will be purchased; the price is two shillings per copy."

Bro. Battye said:

Masonry, brethren, is not the growth of a day, nor even of a century. Neither is it some evanescent religious phase, or the dull vapourings from the brain of some doubtfully sane enthusiast. From time immemorial it has been a great constructive force, free from religious or political basis, wide enough to embrace all shades of opinion, with purposes clearly defined, with aims and objects noble and inspiring, sounding in clarion tones down through the ages the sacred and eternal principles of brotherly love, relief, and truth: brotherly love deep and abiding, great enough to include all men, but more especially those who are "of the household of faith"—truth unchanging, immutable, proving itself in every thought word and deed—relief, mercy, charity, to all who suffer in body, soul, or spirit.

At the October communication, the Grand Master, the Right Reverend C. O. L. Riley, D. D., Lord Bishop of Perth, presided. He reported that he and Lord Chelmsford, Grand Master of New South Wales, had been trying to "put a stop to the present scandal in Queensland connected with the establishment of a Grand Lodge." He did not say how the scandal could be ended; but he said:

We had two interviews with the Grand Secretary and the Grand Registrar of England, and I believe that our intervention may have some effect. We at least gathered from our interviews that the Grand Lodge of England was very anxious to find some way out of the difficulty created by the making of an agreement between England, Ireland, and Scotland about the formation of new Grand Lodges, and causing the agreement to be retrospective. I suggested that the best way was to tear up the agreement. It is to be hoped that wiser counsels will prevail in the future in Queensland than in the past. It may help when the brethren of Queensland know that the Grand Lodge of England wants them to find some way out of the present difficulties.

At the January (1912)) communication announcement was made that the Widows' and Orphans' fund was then contributing to the support of 21 orphan children and one aged Freemason. Complaint was made that the widow of a Mason had applied for relief from the fund and had been refused. Enquiry elicited

the facts in the case, which were that a resident of Western Australia had gone to England, had there received the Entered Apprentice degree and no more, had returned to Australia, had contributed nothing to the order, and nobody in Australia had ever known that he was a Mason at all.

At the quarterly communication held April 25, 1912, the Grand Master said:

In 1900 our Grand Lodge was formed with 33 lodges and a membership of 2,000. To-day there are 91 lodges on the roll—87 of which are working—with a total membership of 3,780, being an increase of 53 during the year.

He announced that, “in accordance with the practice of past years,” he had conferred past grand rank on a number of brethren for valuable services to Masonry in the jurisdiction.

A number of representatives of sister Grand Lodges were presented; but the name of the representative of Canada does not appear among them.

In the report of the Board of Benevolence we find this paragraph:

The board last year was able to report a record collection in the history of the fund, when the total receipts amounted to £1,288 14s. 4d.—£811 being received through the Lodges and £477 from other sources. This year the board is pleased to announce that the income very closely approximates last year's record, viz., £1,203 1s.—£838 being received through the lodges and £365 from other sources, and when it is taken into account that last year there were two lots of grand officers fees transferred in place of one this year, the result is extremely gratifying and shows how warmly the claims of the fund have been recognized by the brethren.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is written by a committee of which R. W. Bro. J. S. Battye, the Deputy Grand Master is chairman. The work is apportioned to the members of the committee, and each initials his own work.

There are 87 lodges in Western Australia, with 3,780 members, an increase of 53.

Right Reverend C. O. L. Riley, D. D., Perth, Grand Master.

J. D. Stevenson, Freemasons' Hall, Perth, Grand Secretary.

WEST VIRGINIA

The forty-eighth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of West Virginia was opened at Charleston November 13, 1912. John W. McConihay Grand Master. Lodges represented 139, including two under dispensation; unrepresented 6. Fourteen Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. George W. McClintic, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

In opening his address the Grand Master congratulated the brethren on the facts that Masonry in West Virginia had been prosperous; that the people of the state had been blessed with many good things; and that the Grand Lodge was in harmony with all other regular Masonic bodies throughout the world.

He lamented the death of M. W. Bro. Hiram Reese Howard, who was Grand Master in 1886, and Grand Secretary from 1905 until his death. He was also chairman of the committee on Fraternal Correspondence. In his place the Grand Master appointed M. W. Bro. John M. Collins, Grand Secretary and W. M. Bro. George W. Atkinson chairman of the committee on Fraternal Correspondence.

He referred to Grand Lodge a letter from Mrs. Mary Patton Hudson asking permission to solicit subscriptions from lodges in West Virginia in aid of the Johnson's Island Confederate Cemetery commission; but the committee reported that it was inexpedient to grant the request, and Grand Lodge approved the report.

Warrants were issued to two lodges under dispensation, and dispensations were granted to form two new lodges.

Fourteen special communications of Grand Lodge had been held during the year for the purpose of laying corner stones. Bro. McConihay had refused dispensations to lay corner stones for buildings to be occupied partly by other organizations, and also to lay corner stones on Sunday.

The everlasting liquor question was up again. A brother was in the saloon business; the town in which he lived "went dry;" after a year or two it returned to the license system, and this brother went back to his

old trade. It was decided that, had he been in the business continuously, he would have been exempt from punishment, but, as he had been out and went back to the business, he must be suspended or expelled.

The Grand Master had told a correspondent that he knew of no Masonic law forbidding a lodge to contribute to an associated charities fund, but it was "desirable for a lodge to dispense its own charity."

The expenditures for the year were slightly in excess of the receipts, but expenses caused by the death of the Grand Secretary accounted for the deficit, and the finances of Grand Lodge are in good shape.

M. W. Bro. Atkinson presents a good review of the foreign correspondence. He is not new to the work, having formerly held that position, but has been out of harness for seven years. He was Grand Master in 1876.

Lodges in West Virginia 147, including two under dispensation; members 15,768, a gain for the year of 878.

Charles W. Lynch, Clarksburg, Grand Master.

John M. Collins, Charleston, Grand Secretary.

WISCONSIN

The sixty-eighth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin was opened at Milwaukee June 11, 1912. Alexander E. Matheson Grand Master. Lodges represented 246; unrepresented 19. Fourteen Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. Hiram W. Sawyer, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

In the opening of his address the Grand Master said:

I am happy to report a spirit of harmony in Wisconsin. There have been sporadic difficulties which were adjusted with the assistance of peace loving brethren. A few Masonic trials were held. Reports of some of these proceedings are in the possession of the Grand Secretary and will be made known to you through the Committee on Appeals and Grievances. It is one of the privileges of a Grand Master that he can sometimes prevent open rupture in a lodge or bring about harmony. Such service does not become a matter of record and should not be subject to open comment. Nevertheless, right here the Grand Master and his co-laborers do some of their most important work.

Among the decisions we find the following:

1. The Worshipful Master of a subordinate lodge may call any Master Mason to the chair for the purpose of conferring a part of the Entered Apprentice degree.

2. A brother who has dimitted from a lodge in Maine, and who now is and for a number has been engaged in the saloon business, may be received as a member of a lodge.

3. A lodge must not receive and act upon a petition from a profane, a lawyer by profession, who has an interest in a saloon business which he inherited from his father, though he does not give personal attention to the business.

4. He could see no reason why wives, mothers, sisters and daughters of Master Masons should not wear Masonic emblems. The question will naturally arise, how can the practice be forbidden?

A number of special communications of Grand Lodge were held for the purpose of laying corner stones and dedicating Masonic temples.

Bro. Matheson condemned the practice of smoking in lodge rooms during the progress of the work. He said:

Certainly while work is being done and the brethren are endeavoring to impress the lessons of the craft upon a candidate in my judgment the brethren should not indulge in smoking. I believe that the discontinuance of the practice in lodges where it has been permitted will add to the effectiveness and dignity of the work and will impress the brethren more effectually with the idea that the lodge room is a sacred place.

He had received a request for fraternal recognition of the International Masonic club, of London. No action was taken.

He had been asked for permission to solicit subscriptions in Wisconsin in aid of a Masonic building at Hot Springs, Arkansas. He submitted it without recommendation; and Grand Lodge thought that to grant such permission would establish a bad precedent.

An invitation to become a subscribing member of the Masonic Relief Association was referred to a committee, which reported in favor of taking no action; but pointed out that individual lodges might become members by paying one cent annually on each member.

In 1898 the Grand Master of Wisconsin was in-

formed that Christain Dam, Grand Master of Masons in Peru, had ordered the Volume of the Sacred Law removed from Masonic altars in that jurisdiction; and he suspended fraternal intercourse with Peru. Later it was learned that the Grand Lodge of Peru had repudiated the action of Christian Dam, the Bibles had been replaced, the edict of non-intercourse had been recalled; therefore Wisconsin and Peru are now in harmony, and the Grand Master may exchange representatives with the South American Grand Lodge.

M. W. Bro. Aldro Jenks, chairman of the committee on Foreign Correspondence, presents his fifteenth annual report. It is a good one, for Bro. Jenks always does his work well. In his conclusion Bro. Jenks says that "the subjects presenting themselves for discussion are so similar to those of previous years that no attempt will be made to summarize them." That is right. A very good thought for a reviewer to have in his mind is this: If no good will come from saying a thing, don't say it.

Lodges in Wisconsin 265; members 27,233, a gain of 812.

David B. Green, Neosho, Grand Master.

William W. Perry, Milwaukee, Grand Secretary.

WYOMING

The thirty-eighth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Wyoming was opened at Cheyenne September 4, 1912. Harold Banner Grand Master. Lodges represented 25; unrepresented 8. Nine Past Grand Masters were present.

The condition of Masonry in Wyoming was reported by the Grand Master to be satisfactory. He said:

I am pleased to be able to state that no serious trouble has been brought to my attention. Peace and harmony prevail, and from personal experience I can testify to the spirit of good fellowship which is strongly in evidence in the various lodges throughout the state. The Masonic order in Wyoming is making a strong healthy growth. In the past year four dispensations have been issued for the formation of new lodges in towns whose present condition, and future prospects, insure their permanency and stability, and in our younger lodges, as well as in the older ones, it has pleased me to notice that much care is being given as to the character of the members obtained, and that quality and not quantity is the one point that is worthy of consideration.

Our financial condition is distinctly good. Many lodges, as they have become able to afford it, have built and own their own homes, and others contemplate building as soon as they can do so creditably and safely, wisely deferring operations until they can feel assured that they will not be assuming a burden that might be too heavy for them to bear.

A number of decisions were given during the year, mostly interpretations of Wyoming Masonic law. Only one is of general interest. It is this:

Question—Can a lodge refund the fees of initiation to ministers of the Gospel?

Answer—No. Except in the length of residence required in this grand jurisdiction, Masonry makes no distinction in favor of any individual or profession.

Bro. Banner had refused a dispensation to a lodge to permit it to "participate" in the laying of a corner stone. He said:

I refused to grant this dispensation for the reason that it is not permissible for Masons to attend such functions as a lodge unless the ceremony is performed by and under the control of this Grand Lodge.

He had granted dispensations to form three new lodges.

Four special communications of Grand Lodge had been held, three for laying corner stones and one to dedicate a Masonic temple.

A communication had been received asking the Grand Lodge to contribute £85 toward the purchase of six electric candles, which should not bear any Masonic symbol for the International Court of Arbitration at the Hague. The Grand Master was of opinion that the object was "of no particular interest to this Grand Lodge," and he took no action in the matter. Grand Lodge took that view of it too.

He recommended the passage of a law providing that the Grand Master or a competent Past Master deputized by him should be present at the organization meeting of a lodge for which a dispensation has been granted. The recommendation was approved.

The standing resolution relating to the Grand Orient of France was amended to read as follows:

Resolved, That hereafter no member of a lodge in this grand jurisdiction shall hold Masonic intercourse with any man claiming to be a Mason belonging to any lodge under the jurisdiction of the Grand Orient of France or that of any Grand Lodge or Grand Orient which has not been recognized by this Grand

Lodge and any member or lodge disregarding this prohibition shall be subject to the highest Masonic penalty under our laws.

Another standing resolution is as follows:

Resolved, That a per capita tax of 50 cents be assessed and collected from each Lodge annually and placed to the credit of the Masonic Home Fund now in the hands of the Grand Treasurer, and that this be a standing resolution.

R. W. Bro. W. L. Kuykendall, the Grand Secretary, conducts the Foreign Correspondence with his accustomed ability and industry. Bro. Kuykendall's strong suit is regularity; and it is to be wished that there were more like him. In reply to a brother correspondent he says:

We emphatically deny that the Scottish Rite degrees were ever conferred in lodges until the latter were manufactured by and conferred in lodges on the continent of Europe, which had no authority whatever for such departure from craft Masonry, and certainly nobody except in a way of joking claims that the Shrine is either ancient or a Masonic body even in name.

And he might have added that the more closely we keep to the Masonic standards as we have them in the constitutions of 1723 the better it will be for craft Masonry throughout the world. Prince Hall Masonry, or petticoat Masonry, or Shrine Masonry may be all right in the proper place, but no one of them has any proper place in a Masonic lodge room. We wish we could copy some of Bro. Kuykendall's remarks in his conclusion; but space will not permit.

Lodges in Wyoming 33, including three under dispensation; members 2,845, an increase of 206.

William Pugh, Evanston, Grand Master.

W. L. Kuykendall, Saratoga, Grand Secretary.

THE ANCIENT LANDMARKS

In another part of this review a suggestion is put forward that possibly the landmarks of Masons may have been misunderstood, and that they never were anything but the ancient rights and privileges of the old lodges of operative Masons. It is certain that no two writers agree as to how many landmarks there were, nor as to what they were. R. W. Bro. W. B. Hextall recently read an interesting paper before the Quatuor Coronati Lodge on the subject of the Ancient landmarks. Few will probably agree with the conclu-

sion reached by Bro. Hextall, which is that the ancient landmarks were merely the architectural secrets of the ancient builders; but his paper is full of valuable information, some of which is here borrowed. He quotes Preston, who has two references to the ancient landmarks, treating them as synonymous with "the established usages and customs of the order." Dr. Oliver (1850) said that the landmarks had "never been clearly defined." And again, "We have no actual criterion by which we may determine what is a landmark and what not." A. G. Mackey (1856) compiled a list of twenty-five landmarks; but no Masonic writer has been able to agree with him. Some grand lodges have promulgated a list of as many as sixty landmarks; and writers in all parts of the world have formed lists, but no two of them agree.

The phrase landmarks occurs in the General Regulations appended to the Constitutions of the Freemasons written by Dr. Anderson and published in 1723. These Regulations are said to have been "compiled first by Mr. George Payne, anno 1720, when he was Grand Master," but they were afterwards revised by Anderson, who says that he "compared them with and reduced them to the ancient records and immemorial usages of the fraternity, and digested them into this new method." The section which refers to landmarks is as follows:

Every annual Grand Lodge has an inherent power and authority to make new regulations, or to alter these, for the real benefit of this ancient fraternity; provided always that the old landmarks be carefully preserved, and that such alterations and new regulations be proposed and agreed to at the third quarterly communication preceding the annual grand feast; and that they be offered also to the perusal of all the brethren before dinner, in writing, even of the youngest apprentice; the approbation and consent of the majority of all the brethren present being absolutely necessary to make the same binding and obligatory; which must, after dinner and after the new Grand Master is installed, be solemnly desired, as it was desired and obtained for these regulations when proposed by the Grand Lodge to about 150 brethren on St. John Baptist's day, 1721.

Anderson was a clergyman, and in speaking of landmarks no doubt he had in mind the scriptural meaning of the term as it is found in Deuteronomy 19: 14, "Thou shalt not remove thy neighbor's landmark, which they of the old time have set in thine inheritance,

which thou shalt inherit in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee to possess it." Here a landmark is undoubtedly a post, stone or monument to mark the bound or limit of a man's landed possession.

When the Grand Lodge was formed by the four (or more) old lodges the latter surrendered some of their ancient privileges, but retained all that were not necessary to the proper working of the grand body. The transaction was similar to that in the United States when the constitution was adopted. Then the several states surrendered to the central authority some of their independence powers; but all the powers which were not specifically surrendered to the general government in the constitution were reserved to the several states and to the people. There is some indication that in England the Grand Masters assumed powers which the members of private lodges thought they ought not to exercise, and there was possibly some conflict of authority. Certain it is that the old lodges insisted on their reserved rights. And it is probable that these reserved rights were called landmarks. One of these rights was that of assisting at the installation of the Grand Master, and insisting that he should take the obligation to observe the ancient usages and customs of the craft; another was to see that the Masters and Wardens of new lodges should be obligated to the same effect. This is indicated by the following extracts, which are taken from notes which purport to be copies of the original minutes of the old lodge (No. 1) which met at the Goose and Gridiron tavern. It is true that doubt has been cast on the fidelity of this copy; but at least the extracts reflect the feeling of members of the old lodges immediately after the formation of the mother Grand Lodge. (The antique spelling of the old records is not followed.)

1721 25th December. Agreed una voce, That the dignity and consequence of the old lodges be always supported, and that the members of this lodge who meet in Grand Lodge do firmly adhere to the old constitutions and lay the same obligations on the Masters and Wardens of new lodges when constituted.

1722 3rd November. It was the opinion of the lodge that the Master and Wardens do attend every committee during the revisal of the constitution that no variation may be made in the ancient establishment.

1723 8th June. It is the order of this lodge that the

Master do attend Merchant Taylors hall on the 24th of this month (when the Grand Master was to be installed) to require a public conformity to the constitution from the Grand Master elect.

1724 19th September. Resolved *una voce* ~~that~~ the thirty-ninth article of the old regulations be carefully observed on every occasion, and that the officers of this lodge do strictly enforce an observance thereof.

There is much more to the same effect, but these extracts must do for the present. In 1721, when the Duke of Montague was installed as Grand Master, we are told.

This day the most noble prince the Duke of Montague was installed in form Grand Master of Masons, and solemnly swore with his right hand on the holy Evangelists to observe and keep inviolate in all time coming the franchises and liberties of the Freemasons of England and all the records of ancient times in the custody of the old Lodge of St. Paul in London, and was moreover firmly held and bound never to connive at any encroachment on the landmarks of the old lodges in England or suffer the same to be done by his successors, who shall also be bound by oath to the same.

Preston says that on St. John the Baptist's day, 1717, when the Grand Lodge was formed, the follow-regulation was agreed to:

That the privilege of assembling as Masons, which had been hitherto unlimited, should be vested in certain lodges or assemblies of Masons convened in certain places; and that every lodge to be hereafter convened, except the four old lodges at this time existing, should be legally authorized to act by a warrant from the Grand Master for the time being, granted to certain individuals by petition, with the consent and approbation of the Grand Lodge in communication; and that without such warrant no lodge should be hereafter deemed regular or constitutional.

Preston adds:

In compliment to the brethren of the four old lodges, by whom the Grand Lodge was first formed, it was resolved, "That every privilege which they collectively enjoyed by virtue of their immemorial rights they should still continue to enjoy; and that no law, rule or regulation to be hereafter made or passed in Grand Lodge should ever deprive them of such privilege, or encroach on any landmark which was at that time established as the standard of Masonic government.

Now, the suggestion here put forward (not as a proved fact nor even as a digested theory) is that the old operative lodges surrendered some of their ancient independence; that all other of their rights and independence they preserved, among them being the right to meet at their own will, for they were never war-

ranted by Grand Lodge but professed to act "by immemorial constitution"; and that the ancient landmarks which were to be so jealously respected were the reserved rights of the old lodges.

CONCLUSION

One rises from a perusal of the Proceedings of more than sixty Grand Lodges with a conviction that, at present at least, Masonry throughout the world is at peace. There is not a disturbance in any quarter—scarcely a ripple visible to the naked eye. The bodies everywhere appear to be drawing more closely together, to work more in harmony, and to understand each other better. The conferences of Grand Masters in the United States appear to produce good results.

The steady, regular growth of the order in numbers is really remarkable. There is not a Grand Lodge in the world which does not report an increase of strength. At the same time there is evidence on every hand of greater carefulness in the selection of material. The standard of membership rises year by year.

Masonic benevolence is more carefully watched than formerly. While the amounts given to the needy steadily increase in volume, greater care is exercised in systematizing the charities and cutting off impostors. It is not possible wholly to prevent fraud, but system and co-operation do much toward that end.

On the whole Masonry never stood so high as a worker of good, and never exercised so beneficial an influence on the world's thought and the world's morality, as it does now when it approaches the end of the second century of its existence as an organized body.

It is much to be regretted that several reports have failed to reach the committee in time for review this year. At the time when the printer thinks the copy must be "all in" the Proceedings of the Grand Lodges of Arizona, Costa Rica, Cuba, Montana, New York, South Australia and Victoria have not been received.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

A. T. FREED,
Chairman.

Hamilton, June 24, 1913.

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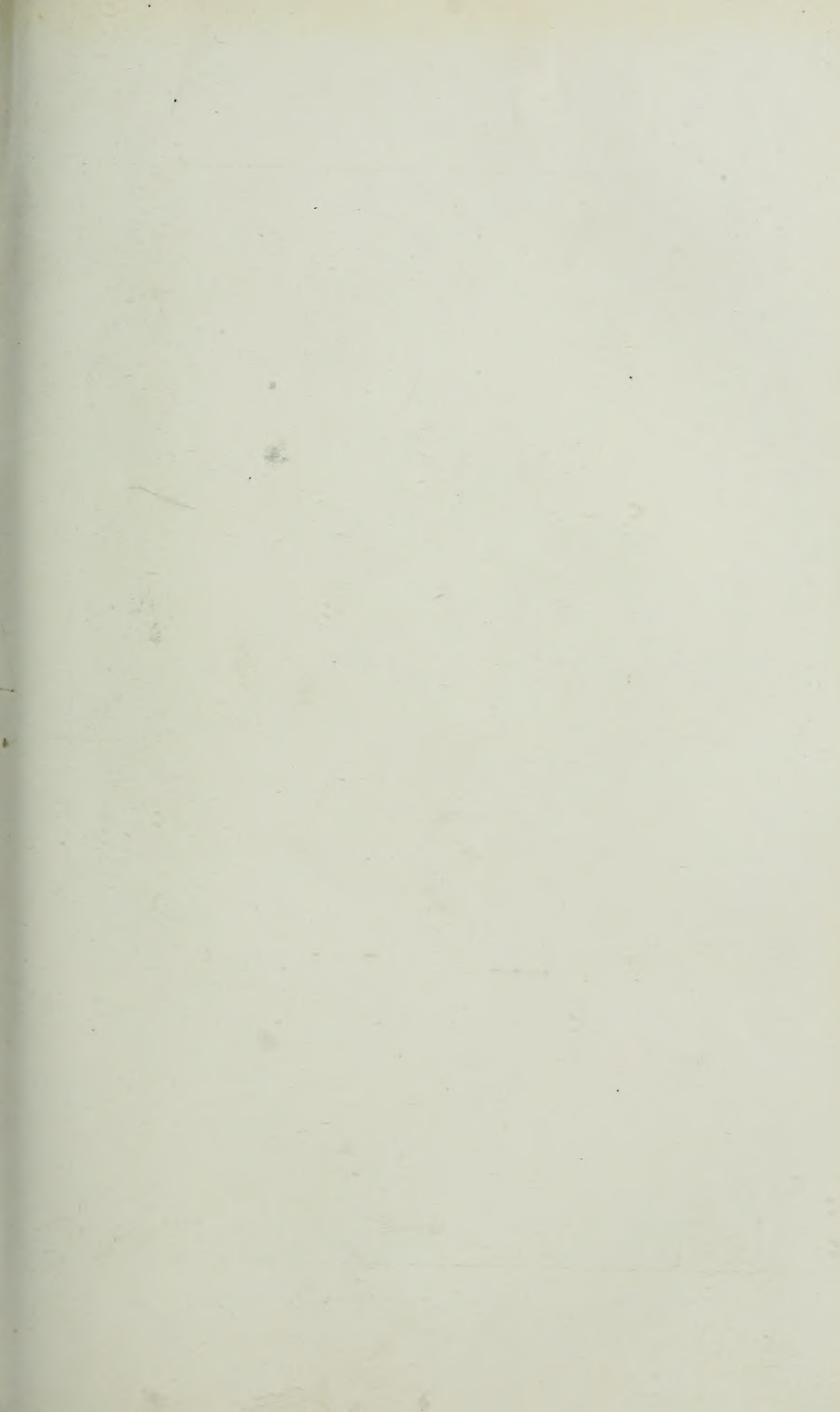
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